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Tensions had been high between colonial subjects and the English government. The government of the day had perpetrated a numerous series of abuses and the elected representatives of the Continental Congress were admonishing the government to stop those abuses. Government found such redresses and civil disobedience an affront to it’s authority. The militias, which had been helpful to England in the French and Indian War was for the greater part backing the Continental Congress and the Committees of Safety.

Government’s megalomaniacal need to control all aspects of it’s subjects lives and the American common man’s need to live free was soon to come to armed conflict in a bloody eight year war to decide the fate of freedom in America.

The English empire was at that time the most powerful empire on earth. To fight them for the preservation of freedom would require a well armed populous.

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Greetings fellow Independent Americans. Welcome to the July/August issue of The Independent American. It is time once again for us to reflect on our Rights, freedoms and liberty. The 4th will soon be on us. Fireworks, picnics and ball games will be part of the celebrations. In the homes of real Americans, contemplation and education will also be part of the celebrations.

In the homes of real Americans, Independent Americans, part of the celebrations will include a reading of the document for which the celebrations are meant. The Declaration Of Independence. The Declaration Of Independence is the declaration of a people who were being oppressed by a despotic tyrant. It declared to a candid world that all men were created equal, that they were endowed with Natural Rights by their Creator that could not be justly violated by governments. That just governments were established by men to secure these Rights and for the common defense of sovereignty. They included a train of abuses that when perpetrated by government calls for abolishment of the perpetrating government and the establishment of honest institutions.

When the fighting began between American colonials and the despotic government of the English empire, there was no concept of separation and establishing a new country. The colonials merely wished to exercise their Natural Rights and found they would need to do so through force of arms. Early in the beginning of the War, the Continental Congress found they needed to operate as though they were a sovereign and independent nation. As atrocities by the English enemies continued against the populous including waging war on and murdering non-combatant women and children, Americans realized that it would be impossible to remain under the government of the crown. On June 10, 1776 Congress appointed a committee to draw up a Declaration Of Independence. This was accomplished on June 28, 1776 when the Declaration was reported to Congress. Debate began on the Declaration on July 1, 1776. On July 3, 1776 Congress voted on the Declaration and unanimously passed The Declaration Of Independence. On July 4, 1776 The Declaration Of Independence was proclaimed to the world and a Sovereign, Free and Independent country was born.

State legislatures began ratifying the Declaration on July 9, 1776 with New York being the first. On July 20, 1776 all State legislatures had ratified the Declaration when Pennsylvania recorded it’s formal vote. On July 19, 1776 Congress passed resolution to engross The Declaration Of Independence on parchment. The formal signing of the document by members of Congress took place on August 2, 1776. John Hancock led with an example of how an American faced despotism. Mr. Hancock knew every member of Congress would be hunted by the empire for treason. To this Mr. Hancock replied, “I wanted his majesty to make no mistake about who was in defiance of his despotic rule.” when asked about the grandiose manner of his signature.

The War For Independence actually started
more than a year earlier on April 19, 1775 when a detachment of English marines were dispatched to confiscate American firearms. It took till July 4, 1776 for Americans to declare their Independence. That Independence and the personal freedoms of American Citizens was earned with the blood of patriots and tyrants when in 1783 American regulars forced General Clinton’s surrender at Yorktown and forced the English king to sign the peace treaty of Genoa.

We celebrate our Independence every year on July 4th with fireworks. Fireworks symbolize the warfare of the period and the struggle of arms necessary to buy American freedoms. Americans should reflect on this and the cost of freedom this Independence Day. This year, read The Declaration Of Independence to your children and spend a couple of hours at the shooting range. Explain to your children, as you watch the fireworks what the rocket’s red glare, and bombs bursting in air mean. Tell them about freedom and America’s true form of government.

Have we got an issue for you this July/August! Our theme for this issue is RESISTANCE! A very timely theme as it arrives as America is celebrating it’s Independence from a despotic world empire and as the supreme “court” has just ruled that local governments may steal the real property of Americans without just compensation. Is the government we have in Washington, DC the government founded by our forefathers? Comparing the actions of government to the powers granted it by our Constitution for these united States of America will answer that question with a no.

What do we do about this situation when our Natural Rights are denied us? We resist tyranny. How? There are many methods and you will find several suggestions in this issue.

We kick off our issue with the feature article, Arms Of The American Revolution. When our forefathers resisted tyranny in their day the technology was different, but some technologies were better than others. Then, as now, different types of firearms were used for differing jobs. Our forefathers fought with the weapons of the day. Now you may read what they fought with and how they employed the arms of the day.

Resistance against a tyrannical government is a very important topic in modern times. Americans must be ready for this contingency. The article Surviving Totalitarianism In America suggests a starting point in resistance. First, Independent Americans must survive a take over. After surviving they may begin to fight back.

Our column, Projects For Home And Life may as well have been titles Projects For Resistance this issue. The Molotov cocktail has been the peasant weapon against armor and troops since WWII. Always a precarious weapon, the Molotov cocktail could stand a lot of improvement. Well there have been little known upgrades to the peasant device that makes the weapon safer to use. With proper tactics, the Molotov can still be an important and decisive weapon today. If you have ever thought that you may find yourself in need of holding a Molotov while facing an enemy, you’d better read this article! Even if you haven’t thought about this, it is a distinct possibility in our near future.

How did it get this bad? Where have we come from and how did we get here? What do we do about it now? We have a colossal amount of information and articles addressing these questions in this issue. the first to address these questions is The Brushfire News. Hari Heath addresses Cowardice, Complicity and Usurpation: Decadence and the Decay of America.

In the Kiss-Off Commentaries, Pug Mahone Shines a glaring, revealing beacon on the problem facing Americans. What has happened in America that our once free land has become a statutory en-castleation of tyrannies? What yard stick may we use to measure the amount of tyranny in what was
once our country today? What is the solution to this tyranny? This column is not for the weak of heart! Be warned! You will face truth right in the eyes when reading *The Kiss-Off Commentaries*! And you will be offered a hard solution!

You are not going to get through the months of July and August without *The Independent American* reminding you of our founding documents and their importance. No theme other than resistance to tyranny better fits these documents. In the column, *Info-Line*, We compare our historical government as founded by our early documents to what passes for government today. We compare our present government to the 10 planks of communism and our Bill Of Rights. Which documents does government more resemble? We then print the list of the train of abuses from The Declaration Of Independence with some of our own comments. What should be our course of action after the comparisons?

There are many phases and methods of resistance. It is my belief that we have already lost the battlefields of the “courts”, yet I found myself in a quasi-legal battle a few months ago. Surprisingly, I found that sometimes the little guy can win a battle or two. I lay out my battle plan and how I attained victory in this quasi-legal battle in the article, *Resistance Is Not Futile*.

Christopher Dilts is back and continues his narrative on debt elimination. Should you find yourself harassed and overwhelmed by debt collection agencies, this issue’s entry of *The Legal Papers* gives you information on how to file complaints against harassing parties.

The socialist security number has been a bane to freedom loving Americans and those concerned with their privacy since it’s inception. What if you don’t want to show this number to everyone who demands it? Can you still obtain credit cards and driver’s licenses? Yes you can! Rob Owen has accomplished this for himself and now has written a book and made a video documentary telling you how you can do this as well. The article is *The Social Security Number And Identification*. If you have a social security number, you’ll want to read this.

Our chief editor, Douglas Paul Bell, has some thoughts on resistance as well. Doug has contributed the articles, *The Long Goodbye*, summing up the situation in America and *Odds And Ends* summing up necessary materials you may wish to gather before the fall of society.

Got ammo? Better stock up now! If you run out, you better know how to get some more! We continue our series on the manufacture of smokeless powders in case anti-Americans ban or excessively tax the private possession of ammunition and reloading components with this issue’s entry, *Single Based Smokeless Powder Formulae*.

Of course, there is much more in these pages. Our column, *About Plants*, covers some basic plant safety. *Media Reviews* gives you honest opinions on books and movies available to Independent Americans.

This issue also marks a milestone for us at the magazine. We are offering a print version. We have not yet been able to estimate a price, but a print version subscription page and a method to buy individual print magazines will be posted on our web site.

As always, May you never need the information herein, but may it prosper you and see you through any situation.
Colonial Americans knew that to live on the frontier or to even keep their freedoms meant they needed to be armed. And armed they were. There has been an effort by propagandists and outright liars of late like the infamous Michael Bellesiles who lied about documentation in his book which claims that firearms were rare in colonial life and most Americans did not care for them. This, of course, is an outright lie. In reality, firearm ownership in America was quite common place and the old ideas of a longrifle hung on the fireplace mantle is quite accurate. It is mainly these personal arms that the early militias armed themselves with in opposition to government tyranny.

Before the English government decided to send troops to Concord and Lexington to confiscate personal arms, a movement had been growing to buy and collect as many muskets as possible. Smooth bore muskets like the English Brown Bess and the French 1763 Charleville musket were the assault weapons of the day.

The Brown Bess was a .75 caliber smooth bore. It incorporates a metal post at the front and top of the barrel near the muzzle. This post looks to be a front sight at first glance, but on inspection a lobster-back recruit will notice there is no rear sight. The Brown Bess was never meant to be aimed. The post near the muzzle is actually a lug where the detachable bayonet is affixed.

The Brown Bess was designed around volume of fire, quick reloading and simplicity of design. The Brown Bess was a .75 caliber smooth bore barrel was loaded with a .69 caliber lead ball and wad. This allowed the Brown Bess to be fired repeatedly despite the fouling caused by it’s black powder charge. The smaller diameter ball could still be loaded even when the black powder fouling decreased the diameter of the barrel. Instead of a wooden ramrod necessary for rifles, the smooth bore Brown Bess utilized a metal ramrod. This allowed for quicker handling as the metal rod was also of a smaller diameter than wooden rods, could be quickly slipped down the barrel seating the bullet and wad against the black powder charge and quickly returned to it’s carrying bands underneath the barrel with less resistance than wooden rods. All of this added up to volume of fire with the musket capable of putting more lead downrange in the shortest amount of time.

The disadvantage of the Brown Bess and other “assault muskets” of the day was found in their range and accuracy. As mentioned, the Brown Bess had no sights. Firing a .69 caliber ball from a .75 caliber barrel will ensure that the projectile will leave the barrel and head downrange even when the barrel becomes fouled, but the loose fit also ensures very poor accuracy. Accuracy was never expected of the Brown Bess. It was the English tactic to turn the face away and close the eyes just before touching off the musket. This was not due to flinching. This is how lobster-backs were trained. It saved the eyes from getting spent powder, smoke and debris in them. This helped them to reload, fix bayonets or maneuver more quickly after a volley.

It was the volley that was meant to make up for poor accuracy. Armies of the period fought by forming skirmish lines. Soldiers lined up two deep, shouldered arms and marched toward other formations hoping to find the enemy’s flanks. They lined up facing the enemy and fired volleys until one side was put at a disadvantage through attrition. It was then time to fix bayonets and charge, taking the field from the enemy. The more muskets discharging during a volley, quicker reloading
and more volleys meant a great number of lead in the air. It was this monumental amount of lead flying downrange at the enemy that produced casualties, not well aimed accuracy.

The other drawback was effective range. The loose fit of the projectile in the barrel not only makes the “assault musket” inaccurate, it limits the effective range by allowing pressure from the expanding by-products of spent powder to escape around the ball. A rifle of the period had an effective range of 200 yards and more. The effective range of a Brown Bess or other typical “assault musket” of the day was 75 yards at best with 50 yards being considered the longest effective range of the “assault musket”.

If Americans were going to defend their freedoms against this type of force, they would need to field an army capable of defeating the lobster-backs at their own tactics. They would have to face the English line to line, trade volleys and push them off the battlefield. That meant acquiring “assault muskets”. The English saw the Continental Congress’ commissioning of a Continental Army and it’s efforts to equip that army as a direct threat to governmental authority. During the early days before the outbreak of the actual shooting, the continental army was supplied mainly by smuggled Brown Besses and muskets made by patriotic gunsmiths. The English government was attempting to limit and control the arms being acquired by Americans and finally decreed that “non-sporting arms” be confiscated by the king’s forces.

During these early days, the Continental Army would be heavily reliant on militia forces. Sneered at by the English upper-crust and modern “historian” liars, the militia of the day was made up of the American common man. These were farmers, artisans, craftsmen and even clergy (known as the black brigade for their clergy clothing). Many militiamen were veterans of the French and Indian War. They learned to fight Indian style. They employed guerilla tactics, were highly maneuverable, made use of camouflage and concealment and employed ambushes and hit and run tactics against superior forces. Many would fight this way throughout the war. Others became regulars and fought in the Continental Army.

After opening hostilities, it became very necessary to equip the Continental Army with standard fighting muskets. For this the Continental Congress looked to England’s strongest adversary, France. After nearly two years of fighting, America received 23,000 French 1763 Charleville muskets from France in March of 1777.

The French 1763 Charleville musket was the other major “assault musket” of the day. It was similar in operation to the Brown Bess.

The Charleville musket was much like the Brown Bess. It was similar in operation and employed in the exact same manner. The Charleville employed a .69 caliber barrel and utilized a smaller diameter ball, again to ensure the proper firing of the musket should the barrel become fouled. Due to the difference in projectile size between the Charleville and Brown Bess, ammo became a premium for the Continental Army. This was solved for the most part by using privately owned lead molds meant for rifles. Captured lead balls, pewter dishes and lead toys and pipes were all melted down and molded into
lead balls. Because these lead balls were meant for rifles, they were much smaller than the projectiles meant for the musket. Americans solved this by stuffing three to six lead balls down the barrels of their muskets. Combinations of different sizes of lead was also utilized. Though this improvisation of ammo in this manner was considered a setback by the armies of this period, it actually had an advantageous effect on the battlefield. This put even more lead downrange during a volley and caused more casualties.

Like all of the arms of the period the Charleville used the flintlock method of ignition. A cut and shaped piece of flint is affixed to the hammer in a vice-like fixture utilizing a screw. Ignition powder (very fine black powder) is placed on the frizzen, the striker is positioned above the frizzen and the hammer is cocked. When the trigger is squeezed, a spring forces the hammer forward, striking the flint against the striker causing sparks to fall onto the ignition powder atop the frizzen. The sparks ignite the powder which burns through the frizzen hole into the barrel and discharges the firearm. This was the most advanced and reliable ignition system of the day.

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As mentioned, it was not until March of 1777 that the Continental Army received Charleville muskets at any significant quantity. On the opening day of the war the minutemen stood firm on Concord Green shouldering their own private arms. Certainly there were muskets present. Some would be smuggled Brown Besses. Others would be made by local gunsmiths. For the most part, however, the majority of arms shouldered that morning were fowling pieces and rifles.

The fowling piece was the most versatile firearm on the frontier. It was a smoothbore of several different bores or gauges and was designed for exactly what it sounds like. It was used for bird hunting. It wasn’t long before the full versatility of these forerunners of the modern shotgun were realized.

A fowling piece of the period. This firearm was capable of most chores necessary for life on the frontier.

It was used in many ways on the farm, homestead or ranch. Early Americans used these to keep foxes out of the hen houses, rabbits out of the garden, to shoot small game for the dinner table and for defense. Everything that a modern shotgun is used for. When loaded with buckshot or large ball, the fowling piece was an adequate large game provider. Early Americans also noted they were quite capable of doing many things that a soldier’s musket could do and many fowling pieces were employed to do just that against English and Hessian troops in the War for Independence.

The drawbacks to the fowling piece was the lack of a bayonet lug. During the period it was necessary to fire volleys to reduce the enemy’s numbers through attrition, then push them off the battlefield with a bayonet charge. When assaulting the enemy hand-to-hand or when facing a bayonet charge the fowling piece was at a distinct disadvantage to the musket. The fowling piece also utilized a wooden ramrod which fit snugly into it’s bands under the barrel. The snug fit and wood composition slowed the employment of the ramrod down slightly. This may seem like a slight delay and insignificant, but in combat where volume of fire counted this delay was
enough to allow the enemy a couple of extra volleys causing your side more casualties.

The range of the fowling piece was comparable to the muskets of the day. This didn’t put the fowling piece in the league of the “assault musket”. It was slightly, but significantly enough, slower to reload and lacked a bayonet lug. It was still significant as a defensive weapon on the frontier, however. Loading with buckshot allowed the fowling piece to keep firing even after the barrel began to foul. From behind homestead or frontier fort walls, these pieces could deliver significant firepower and volleys even though deficient on the battlefield.

Probably the most famous firearm of the period and the one most Americans imagine the frontiersman/minuteman shouldering is the Kentucky rifle. The Kentucky rifle originated in Connecticut and Pennsylvania gunsmith shops. The various gunsmiths utilized their own innovations such as a buttstock comb and varying furniture. Whichever the configuration, frontiersmen prized these rifles and became expert with their use, which was usually for hunting or defense against animals and people on the frontier and homestead.

The Kentucky Rifle was a necessary piece of equipment for the frontiersman and homesteader or farmer alike.

The term Kentucky rifle came more from the frontiersmen these rifles were famous for rather than for where they originated or were manufactured. Most were made in Pennsylvania with Connecticut as a distant second. Very little were actually made in Kentucky. Frontiersmen looking for a new life among new lands west into the Appalachians and beyond quickly adopted these rifles to help them and their families survive the dark and bloody ground of Kentucky (the destination where most of the frontiersmen were heading).

The Kentucky rifle differed greatly from the fowling piece and the musket. This was no smooth bore. It had a tight bore with riflings. The riflings were designed to cause the projectile to spin. The spinning projectile cut through air resistance much more efficiently and the seal created by the tight bore with the projectile molded to fit between the rifling grooves gave the black powder charge more pressure to spit the projectile further downrange and more accurately. The effective range was easily 200 yards with many reports of marksmen taking out lobsterback officers from 400 or more yards.

The rifle came equipped with front and rear sights which the American rifleman used with much accuracy. The English were sufficiently impressed to employ special units of riflemen picked from among the traitorous Tories on the American continent. This left the English government behind in the deployment of riflemen and Americans enjoyed a great advantage with the Kentucky rifle.

With the Kentucky rifle it would seem that a few Americans could sit back out of range of the enemy’s muskets and hold ground. This was a common tactic early in the war and it did cost the English and their Hessian mercenaries heavily, however, little was thought about the lives of the conscripts by the upper echelons of English aristocracy. The enemy’s tactic was to use human wave attacks. Accepting a high casualty rate while dislodging Americans from the battlefield.

The Kentucky rifle was no match for the “assault musket” when it came to face to face military formation fighting. The tight bore and rifling meant the muzzleloader’s projectile and wad had to be forced down the entire length of the bore to be seated against the black powder charge. A wooden ramrod was necessary as a metal one would be bent when applying such force. The amount of force necessary to load the rifle made
reloading very slow. The tight bore and riflings made the rifle very susceptible to fouling as well. After several shots the rifle’s bore would become too fouled to force a ball down the barrel. Assuming the ball could be started it could easily become stuck in the barrel. The musket was much faster to charge and ready for the next volley and could fire more shots after fouling.

The Kentucky rifle also lacked a bayonet lug. As explained earlier, bayonets were employed after volleys to dislodged the enemy from the battlefield. Without the bayonet hand-to-hand combat with an enemy so armed was extremely precarious.

In the end the English human wave attacks took ground, but created costly casualties and stretched supply lines. It also created a great deal of rearward ground that had to be guarded. The English were far overextended and suffering from guerilla tactics when the Continental Army received Charleville muskets from France. The Kentucky rifle and fowling piece in the hands of the militia helped to keep the forces of tyranny at bay until proper equipment could be obtained.

There was another piece of equipment that would be necessary for the Continental Army to become a real military fighting force. It was no good to field a well equipped army to have them blown off the field by artillery. The Continental Army would have to match English artillery as well. Fortunately this was well within Colonial Americans’ ability to manufacture. Cannon of the period were manufactured by foundries with similar tools used in the manufacture of bells like the Liberty Bell.

Like this revolutionary war piece were made at foundries.

Colonial America was dotted with foundries that could produce the cannon that the Continental Army needed. Fortunately, most foundry owners in the Colonies were patriotic. Many expected to be paid for their services, some were, but they were ready and willing to pitch in and help.

Like bells, cannon started as molten brass or iron. The molten metal was poured into molds and cooled. They were finished by sanding the surface smooth, drilling a hole through the top of the breech for the fuze then using a rod driven by a water wheel with special sanding stones to sand smooth and de-bur the inside of the bore and breech. These were mounted on a carriage and wheels and viola, you have a cannon.

Naturally, the English government did not like this turn of events at all! Cannon, at this period of time, were considered private arms. They were owned by individuals and fur and trading companies to secure their posts. These cannon were falling into the hands of patriots who were hostile to the ideas of tyranny.

The collection of personal arms being stockpiled in America’s Colonial villages were causing England great alarm. During the night of April 18th and the morning of April 19th 1775 England dispatched a detachment of marines to confiscates those arms from America. Those marines ran straight into history and the shot heard ‘round the world. The ensuing War for Independence replaced corrupt government with honest institutions. Tyranny is still alive and well today and our once honest institutions of government have become corrupt. Personal arms are every bit as important today as they ever were. It is important at this time of year to remember what it takes to keep our freedoms.
Media Reviews
by Douglas Paul Bell

National Treasure

Walt Disney Films. 2004. Starring: Nicholas Cage

This film begins as Benjamin Franklin Gates, played by Nicholas Cage, is being told the story of his family's secret. The secret is this; America's founding fathers were members of a secret society of Masons who were guarding a vast treasure protected down through the ages by the knights templar who became the Masons. This treasure was acquired and added upon by various empires throughout history. It now fell to the Masons in America to protect the treasure from the latest evil empire, England. (OK, the movie got the part about England as an evil empire right.) As the story begins, John Carrol, one of the signers of The Declaration Of Independence and a member of Congress and instrumental in developing our Constitution (and, according to the film, a Mason) arrives at the Gates home in 1813. There he lets the Gates family in on the secret and gives them clues as to where to find the treasure. The movie then continues with Benjamin Franklin Gates grown into a man and on a quest to find the treasure.

The screeching harpies who call themselves critics were having the goose craps and tearing their feathers out over Mel Gibson's movie The Patriot. Their criticism mainly concerned "historical inaccuracies" and a scene where Gibson's character led his children into the woods and handed them rifles instructing them how to kill the English tyrants, which they did with much efficacy. The Gibson movie was actually based on characters and events that did take place, though in different parts of the Revolutionary War and States. Gibson's character was actually three Revolutionary War heroes rolled into one. The evil English character, Tavington, was based on the historically evil Banastre Tarleton, who did carry out the atrocities attributed to the character in the movie.

With National Treasure, we have a movie fraught with much more historical inaccuracies than The Patriot and not even based on any kind of fact or historical event. This is greatly evidenced at the beginning of this movie as John Carrol is represented as a Mason. John Carrol did sign The Declaration Of Independence and was instrumental in the Constitutional Convention. What was not mentioned is that John Carrol was also the only Irish Catholic to have signed The Declaration Of Independence. As a Catholic, John Carrol would not have been allowed to become a Mason. Historically Carrol was not a Mason, but the accusation in the movie was that all of the founding fathers were Masons. Carrol was the only Catholic among the founders, (No, I am not saying he was the only Catholic to fight in the War, so save your e mails.), so the only one that was easily eliminated as a Mason. George Washington has also been claimed as a Mason. This myth has been so wide spread as to make it's way into the beliefs of many Patriots and pro-freedom organizations. George Washington's
writings indicate he was invited to attend a Masonic lodge for consideration. He attended as a courtesy and declined membership. Yet today, Masons still claim George Washington as a member. Reality is that Washington did attend at least one lodge meeting. He declined membership and later in life opposed the Masons in gaining political offices in America. The Masons kept Washington's name on their rolls for the prestige of having America's first president as a member and for propaganda purposes.

How and why did this myth begin? As the movie brings up, look on the back of a federal reserve note. It is rife with Masonic symbolism. The unfinished pyramid with the all seeing eye of the Egyptian god Horace as the capstone, the inscription, “new order of the ages” in Latin, 13 stars arranged into a star of David and on the front of the note, visible through a magnifying glass is an owl symbolizing Moloch perched on the upper left frame surrounding the numeral 1 in the upper right hand of the note. If our forefathers weren't Masons why so many Masonic symbols on a federal reserve note? During the time of our forefathers, these symbols weren't adopted. The first inception of the great seal of the United States had an eagle on one side and a Native American with a beaver pelt on the other. The current seal was adopted in 1935, though variation of the Masonic theme was in existence by the late 1800s. Attempts were made in Congress to adopt differing seals in 1782, 1789, 1833, 1884, and 1902, but nothing came of the attempts.

After the Revolutionary War began, a Masonic society developed to usurp the direction of the War to lead America back into the English empire which was developing into a one world evil empire. The Masonic society was too late to effect this at the time, yet has been working ever since to establish America into a one world government system. The purpose of National Treasure seems to be to further the Masonic propaganda that our forefathers were of a secret Masonic society and to explain the Masonic symbolism prevalent in MODERN government.

Those that know history will be a bit insulted at the Masonic insinuations against our forefathers. There is some semi-accurate history in the film and if you want to turn off your brain and enjoy the action scenes, this movie is well acted and entertaining. It blends new world order propaganda with Pirates of the Caribbean style action.

**Plan to Destroy America**

reviewed by Douglas P. Bell

“Limbaugh, Buchanan, Perot, Quail and other Bozos Pawns In The Enemy’s Plan To Destroy Patriotic American People” by Sacred Truth Ministries (POB 18, Mountain City, TN 37683) is a five page, 8 1/2 x 11” flier on the so called “leaders” of the “right”, which, when it’s all said and done, aren’t any different than the leaders of the left. I’ve always said they were the same and the only difference was who got the money, power and credit. Like Lenin and Trotsky, they are just different sides of the same coin, even if they are willing to murder each other to gain more money and power for themselves.

Actually when I got this I thought it would be another conspiracy paper, and as I like a good conspiracy theory as much as the next person, I settled in to see if this one was any different than the last one. Well this isn’t a conspiracy theory, at least as it is generally known, and since I’ve personally experienced some of what the paper talks about, I’m far more willing to examine the rest far more closely then the run of the mill theory.

The six ways the enemy (here I include all politicos of any party, as well as any agent/agency of our loving government that is willing to murder women and children because they are members of a “cult” or won’t kow-tow to the New World Order, Old World Order, or what ever) is 1) Divide and Conquer / Polarize and Weaken, 2) Disinform / Deceive, 3) Offer False Assurance, 4) Take Inventory, 3) Lead Down A Dead End /
Waste Resources / Eventually Disenchant, 6) Set Up In Some Way.

This is easily seen; look at Rush Limbaugh. He is out there preaching such things as “when there is a recession, don't join, America is OK and nothing will ever happen to us, etc., etc., (#3: false assurances), great advice from a guy who has had at least one bankruptcy, all the while avoiding talking about the erosion of our rights, such as our gun rights, the selling out of the American tax sucker, “aid” to certain foreign countries (like the country that gave him an all expense paid trip and allowed him to meet the top government leaders, an unto now unheard of honor, which has got many billions of dollars from the US taxsucker over the years and Rush champions at every turn), and so forth (#2: disinform/deceive).

At the same time Limbaugh is yapping about our (interchangeable) “leader” and so lets the sheeple think they have an outlet (#1 polarize and weaken). At the same time he is selling books, newsletters, shirts, mugs, etc., etc., all of which funnels the time, money and energy of the sheeple into safe pursuits (#4: take inventory, #3 waste resource).

After the listener figures out he’s been had, Rush isn’t any different than any other politico who tells the sheeple what they want to hear and don’t give a damn, they finally give up and quit any political activity as they figure they’ll just get set up again (#3: disenchant). All of which makes the former listeners just apathetic slugs who won’t do anything to help themselves and will now be good little taxsuckers who will turn in their guns, pay taxes with out asking why, and kow-tow to who ever is in power, OR they will now figure out at least some of the truth, buy guns, cut their taxes as much as possible, question what is going on, and otherwise make themselves an “enemy of the state”, all of which falls under #6: set up in some way.

Now I don’t mean to pick on just Rush, Ross Perot with his book and “political” organization is interchangeable with Rush except Perot preached gloom and doom, or to put it another way, it was a good cop / bad cop set up. What Rush didn’t suck in with his cries of “THINGS ARE PERFECTLY OK””, Perot picked up with his cries of "AMERICA IS SINKING!! ONLY I CAN SAVE YOU!” So no matter what you believed, you had a “leader” to lead you to the same slaughter.

Now take any “popular” (i.e.: far left media acceptable) “leader”. Dole sold us out with Brady I and GATT and tried his best to do the same with Brady II), Newt and Robertson, (who at least can be stomached by the masses on the "right"), or if you like the far right, Davis Duke (a sell out "racist"/politico who didn’t/doesn’t care about anything or anyone but himself) Bo Gritz (another liar and sell out, he white washes his record in his book), LaRouche (former commie who figured out it was easier to milk the right than the left), and invest a buck and a quarter for this text and give your favorite politico the “test”, do any of them measure up or differ in any way? I didn't think so.

The Road Back To America
reviewed by Douglas P. Bell

“The Road Back To America” by Robert Pummer (Robert Pummer, 128 North Ninth Street #117, Mayfield, KY 42066. 1994, 4 1/4” x 6 5/9”, 376 pages), is the militia book I’ve been looking for!

This is not some pie in the sky “together we can vote the bums out, do nothing illegal and DO NOT try to fight the system” or “you MUST say the militia oath while walking clockwise in circles on the days of the full moon wearing plaid pants” or even some “we are the ONLY true militia, worship us” type crap, no this is down and dirty, in your face, “somebody has to bleed and alot of people are going to die and it will probably be you no matter how lucky you are so get your crap together now” type of book.

In 376 pages, the only two things I disliked
enough to make a note of (that must be some sort of record too!) was on page 131 where he talks about pistols and recommends, in order of preference, the Browning Hi-Power (no problem here!), the P-38 (BIG problem here!), and 1911-A1 Colt .45 Auto (NO problem here!).

While the P-38 is a neat gun, it IS NOT a weapon to carry into battle if you can avoid it. The retail on them new (yes they are still made) is over $1,000 and even the military surplus guns are $250 to $500. A fine weapon, but the one thing that seems to go wrong with them is they tend to blow off the extractor, which has a bunch of little parts you have to find to make it work, including the rear sight, and are hard to get parts for, and even if you do, there are two different models, so the parts might not work anyway! For half the price of a beater P-38 you can get a like new Helwan (Egyptian copy of the 1951 Beretta) which holds the same number of 9mm's as the P-38. Better yet, buy a .45 Auto.

The other thing I disagreed with is he recommends a .22 Magnum pistol. A .22 Magnum pistol is not all that much more powerful than a .22 LR pistol and the cartridge only comes onto its own in a rifle. Also the .22 Mag is harder to find than the .22 LR and cost about four times as much. He recommends a Hi-Standard, but they've been out of business for a number of years (the "new" Hi-Standard only makes .22 LR pistols and shotguns so far). If you want a .22 pistol, get a Ruger Std. auto, or if you must have a .22 Mag, I'd buy a Ruger Single-Six with two cylinders.

Other than those two minor flaws, this is an excellent book that every reader should buy and read.

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**THE AR-15 PROJECT**

reviewed by Douglas P. Bell

"The Workbench AR-15 Project - A Step-by-Step Guide to Building Your Own Legal AR-15 Without Paperwork" by D.A. Hanks (Paladin Press, 7077 Winchester Circle, Boulder, CO 80301, 2004, 8 1/2" x 11", 64 pages) is about how to build an AR-15 from an 80% receiver. Why use an 80% finished receiver you ask? Well as an unfinished (80% or less by law) receiver, it is not considered a firearm and can be purchased by anyone for any reason, including finishing it into a completed receiver/firearm. HOWEVER....There may be city, state or federal laws concerning the ownership or use of some types of firearms, so check local, state and federal laws before doing something that might put you in jail.

The Introduction states with "It is suggested that you read this book in its entirety before attempting this project", which is good advise. Read the WHOLE book, understand what you are reading, THEN decide if you want to try this at home! The book continues with the warning that while it may look simple and easy to file and drill a couple holes, "it is not that simple!....Expect to spend at least eight hours MINIMUM if you have a jig and at least a full weekend if you are using a different method. Your first project will most likely take you a week or two to complete. If you can only work on it after hours (most of us have full-time jobs), it may take you a few weeks or more."

So why do it at all? Well you might want
something that is not commercially available, may want to have a gun that you MADE, not simply assembled, may want to learn to use machine tools, or just need a hobby. The reason is up to you, the book simply tells you how to do it and what to do when something goes wrong, which is so often does when yours truly is behind the mill! Yes, bad things happen to the author as well, and he tells you what he did to fix the problem, but of course it is best to CAREFULLY read the whole book first, follow the directions, use the proper jigs and not have problems to begin with.

The bottom line? This is a book I can recommend heartily! While not a long book, it covers most of what you should know and why you should know it, and what to do if you run into problems. Buy this one.

PATRIOT ACT
reviewed by Douglas P. Bell

"PATRIOT ACT - A novel of resistance" by D.A. Hanks, (Patriot Publications, POB 26866, Charlotte, NC 28221-6866, www.patriotpublications.com, 2004, 4 1/4"x7", 318 pages) is an interesting first novel by a person who actually understands guns (he is the author of "THE WORKBENCH AR-15 PROJECT" and "THE WORKBENCH AK-47 PROJECT" put out by Paladin Press) and has some definite ideas about what is wrong with this country. The back cover states that this book has been "described as ‘Unintended Consequences' and ‘Harrison Bergeron' meets 'The Turner Diaries' ", which should give you some idea about the views expressed in the book.

The book starts in 2000 with the hero, Snark, as a teenager getting a ride home with the local sheriff, who becomes a good friend, which sets the stage for the rest of his life. Soon after, in 2005, the PATRIOT ACT which was to be sunsetted in 2005 is voted in as law and the fuse is lit as they say. The book also has several horror stories of government harassment and endangerment, many of which are true and happened to D.A. Hanks' friends. Having had some quite similar things happen to me, I know the stories do happen in real life and are not made up. The story continues until 2020 when it is obvious to even the most blind and unhearing that it is a case of stand up to fight up to fight on your feet or die on your knees.

The bottom line here? Yes, this is a good book. Yes, I recommend you buy (or harass your local library into buying) this book. Do I agree with everything here? No, of course not. This is a good first novel, but lacks the polish better, and usually second or third, books have as the author gains skill. It would have benefited from a good proof reading as well.

There are also a few firearm mistakes, especially when dealing with the .50 BMG cartridge, but nothing major or that will detract from the reading pleasure of the book. If you are interested in a novel of resistance, you could do worse than this book.
Cowardice, Complicity and Usurpation: Decadence and the decay of America

by Hari Heath

America began with “the shot heard round the world.” Impassioned men and women fought against great odds to claim that great prize of liberty. Scholar/Warrior/Diplomats gave their all in a fight to end the reign of a tyrant king. King George and his “swarms of officers sent hither to harass our people and eat out our substance,” were toppled from their wall by a rag tag militia of tax protesters, determined to rule themselves as freemen.

They fought side by side as a guerrilla army of citizens and gentlemen. The war was largely a long series of retreats that eventually wore down the British, turning the tide with a few pivotal engagements.

As the American warriors gained their ground and sent the king's men back across the sea, they became scholarly statesmen who crafted a revolutionary new form of government and the American experiment of a Constitutional Republic.

In the beginning, our republic followed the commands of the Constitution which formed it. But it is the nature of power to seek to increase itself.

Always.

The founders of our nation knew this tendency well and installed many checks and balances in our national Constitution to limit any excessive collections of power.

The Constitution breaks down the functions of government into three branches and limits the acts and authorities of each one. This being good, but not good enough, the Founders added the Bill of Rights to spell out what rights the people had, thereby placing limits and duties upon those operating within the general government.

Government or administrative regime?

If you bothered to look, you may find that the government set up by the Constitution is not the one we have operating today. Yes the Congress, the Supreme Court, and the Executive offices appear to be occupied, but what force of government actually reaches out and touches you? Almost always, it is an administrative agency.

Article One, Section One, of the federal Constitution clearly states that all legislative power shall be vested in the Congress. The founders' intent was to require that the power to make law would remain accountable; that only those who were chosen to represent the people or the states could have such power; and if they abused that power they could be removed by election or impeachment.

The Tenth Article of the Bill of Rights further declares limits to that power, commanding that the powers of the federal government are
limited to those enumerated by the Constitution and that all other powers are reserved to the states or the people respectively.

In the beginning this was the plan. The constitutional offices and areas of governmental operation were few and limited in their scope. Constitutional government could never be expanded to regulate and meddle in so many areas of our lives. A sovereign people would yield a limited amount of their sovereignty to a government which would serve them. In theory, the people would remain master of their servant.

But, as Acton stated: “power corrupts, and absolute power corrupts absolutely.” And absolute corruption in our age, has taken the form of administrative agencies.

The Code of Federal Regulations, also known as the CFRs, are unlegislated “laws” laid down by agencies themselves, in defiance of the Constitution’s commands. Further defiance of the supreme law takes the form of Executive Orders where the President imposes “laws” made with the stroke of his pen.

This and many other transgressions have led to a corporate government that has been super-imposed over our constitutional government.

Fascism, by definition, is the merger of corporate and state interests which vest power in a single authority. Our military-industrial-media-pharmaceutical-financier controlled-fascist-corporate-federal state has become such an authority.

We daily submit to it in cowardice and complicity. We feed it with allegiance and taxes we do not owe. We choose the illusions of liberty fed to us by its media over the freedom that would be ours if we were willing to undertake the effort to seize and maintain it.

We support the grand deception and our own enslavement because we are cowards who choose complicity and compliance with the administrative, fascist state.

Remember, as we celebrate our “independence,” what those brave souls who signed the Declaration of Independence had to say about the king’s administrative agencies:

“He has erected a multitude of new offices, and sent hither swarms of officers, to harass our people and eat out their substance.”

Do you pay your taxes to an agency? Get permission to drive on “your” highway from an agency? Do agencies issue your permit to build a house, or operate a business, or own a gun?

Is how you farm, or log, or hire a worker controlled by an agency? Does an agency regulate where you get your water from and where it goes to when you’re done with it?

Isn’t just about everything you use, buy, or own controlled by an agency?

Does the Constitution create any agencies?

No!

Do you see how we, as once free and brave Americans, now cowardly submit to innumerable intrusions into our private lives by a host of agencies?

Have we become so placated by our plentiful possessions that we are no longer willing to pledge our lives our fortunes and our sacred honor to the cause of freedom? Do we cower in complicity, surrendering our liberties for the security and benefits offered by the socialist state?

Our Liberty Teeth

Guns used to be common and acceptable in American culture. It is, after all, how we won
our freedom from the English king and his agents.

Guns are the liberty teeth of the Bill of Rights. Right after the freedom of religion, to speak and publish, to peaceably assemble, and petition for redress, came the teeth.

The Second Amendment guarantees that each man may possess the means to terminate tyranny. It is nothing less than the right to keep and use whatever force becomes necessary to maintain the high principles of our national trust, the Constitution and that government which is founded by it.

It is nothing less than the right of each man to possess, without infringement, the means by which he can put a permanent hole in the face of tyranny, thereby securing a free state, for himself and his posterity.

But with the socialist programming in the media and our government schools, our liberty teeth have been cast aside as an old set of dentures.

The “Right to keep and bear arms” has atrophied because we no longer exercise it. When was the last time you saw a private citizen openly carrying a firearm in a public place?

Many Americans would feel uneasy if their fellow citizens were openly armed. Most have succumbed to the programming that only the police and military should bear arms for us. The social fascists win when American are intimidated into surrendering their rights.

The problem with tyrants is they just don’t listen

Our legal remedies to redress the assault of agency intrusions include letter writing to our legislators, voting, suing in court for our rights, or petitioning the executive officers or the agencies themselves.

Sometimes these work, but usually they require a monumental effort before we obtain any success. More often we fail to achieve any justice when we appeal to corrupted courts and executive officers. And legislators cannot afford to help ordinary citizens because they are indebted to the lobbyists who represent the special interests that purchased their offices for them.

When these civil processes fail to achieve the desired result we are then left with a choice between accepting failure or applying the final solution:

The Second Amendment solution.

Perhaps we are too morally guided to use the Second Amendment solution as our founders did with great success. Like the death penalty, it has seen too little use in our time to have any real effect. What percent of murders result in a conviction and the carrying out of a death sentence? Less than one percent? Not hardly a deterrent to the murderer who knows the odds of receiving final justice.

Our tyrants in office and their agents in administrative regimes similarly have not recently been reminded that the Second Amendment applies to them.

Thus, they go on regulating to their hearts content as we suffer intrusions and taxation beyond anything our Founders ever tolerated.

And daily we submit!

Just before the American Revolution Samuel Adams said: “If ye love wealth better than freedom; the tranquility of servitude better than the animating contest of freedom, go home from us in peace. We ask not your counsel, nor you arms. Crouch down and lick the hands which feed you. May your chains set lightly upon you. And may posterity forget that ye were our countrymen.”

Americans today do not seem to understand why we celebrate the Fourth of July. It's not about sparklers and firecrackers, it's about
remembering the real bullets and real rockets
tired in offense of freedom; it's about
remembering those who dedicated their lives,
their fortunes and their sacred honor and were
willing to give their all so that we could live
in freedom.

And if we lose our freedom and, therefore,
lose our country, how will our posterity
remember our contribution to their
enslavement -- with a day of silence?

It's time to stand for something.

History does not long entrust the care of
freedom to the weak or the timid.
-Dwight D. Eisenhower

The right of a citizen to bear arms, in lawful
defense of himself or the State, is absolute.
He does not derive it from the State
government. It is one of the high powers" de-selected directly to the citizen, and "is
excepted out of the general powers of
government. 'A law cannot be passed to
infringe upon or impair it, because it is above
the law, and independent of the lawmaking
power." [Cockrum v. State, 24 Tex.394, at
401-402 (1859)]

That the said Constitution shall never be
construed to authorize Congress to infringe
the just liberty of the press or the rights of
conscience; or to prevent the people of The
United States who are peaceable citizens from
keeping their own arms... - Samuel Adams,
Debates and Proceedings in the Convention of
the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, at 86-
87 (Pierce & Hale, eds., Boston, 1850).

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along such meridians, by the use of needles or massage,
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from the body has occurred, the particles within the
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The Long Goodbye
written by Douglas P. Bell

The fall of America was put this way by a friend, he said that the end was not going to be a bang but a slow motion train wreck. The sheer inertia would keep America going long after the collapse had started, or was even complete. Trains don’t just run up to the point where they derail, stop and fall over, they keep plowing forward and, the people at the end end of the train might not even know anything is wrong until they fall over too.

Well that is how it is. America is derailed and no one has noticed, even refused to notice, and even most survivalist don’t seem to know it yet. The country will keep limping along for quite awhile yet, probably for scores of years, but things will just be getting worse and worse.

Check your standard of living, then look back 30 years, 50 years, the standard of living in the USA has actually gone down. The laws are getting more and more restrictive too. Look at the law and your rights currently, and the laws 100 years ago. Or even 20 years ago, each year you lose a tiny bit more. Little by little, so slowly you will hardly notice, the country will collapse, like Rome did, like Egypt did, like every society before us has and every one after us will.

The roads are getting impassable, even new roads are pot holed before they are finished. Services are getting worse and taxes are going up. George “Wonder Wimp” Bush put into effect the, then, largest tax increase in US history to “balance the budget” and the deficit went up. “Slick Willie” Clinton got another “largest tax increase in US history” to again “balance the budget”, which has gone up again. Slick also talked about “investing in America”, which meant most of that tax increase went to the welfare classes so he can buy more demorrat votes.

The infrastructure Klintoon talked about building isn’t roads and bridges, but the so called “electronic town hall”. It’s a computer networks for government offices so they can pass information about you around more easily. The tax man is connected to the court man who is connected to the law man who is connected to the FBI man who keeps track of how many times a day your toilet flushes and every other thing about your life on a computer. Anyone in the loop who wants to find out anything about you can do so with the touch of a button.

I saw a political cartoon that I thought was especially telling. A box marked “Baffle Box” is opened and a man says “Tax increase” and the head in the box said “Revenue enhancement”. “Gas tax!” becomes “User’s fee!”, and “New Deal!” was “ S OK!” Now, who is the head in the box? The political cartoon junkies will spot the November 15, 1982 “Ron Headroom” panel right off, but the rest of us can’t tell the difference between Ronnie Reagan, George “Wonder Wimp” Bush, Slick Willie Klinion and George “Dubya” Bush or any other politico when it comes to what they say about taxes. And in more and more cases, any other damn thing either.

The Brady Bill was passed and for five years it only effected handguns. But it isn’t just for handguns, the Dole-Metzenbaum Anti-Gun Bill (Brady II) was meant for ALL guns! Rifles included! If this had passed you wouldn’t be waiting for a week to get just your handgun, you would be waiting a week for ANY gun! The LA riots impressed the politicos on how easy it is to control the law abiding white middle and upper middle classes. Let’s face it, they have given up on even papering over the losses committed by the criminal classes and the upper classes don’t even give lip service to the laws.

“Hanoi Jane” Fonda at least made it to ‘Nam which is more than you can say for Slick Willie Klintoon and she has HER concealed weapons permit! So does “Red Ted” Turner, but neither of them wants you to have one. Carl Rowan who wrote and rammed through the Washington, DC anti-gun laws has HIS illegal handgun which he used to shoot a young child who committed the evil offense of skinny dipping in Carl’s pool, days after...
bragging in his newspaper column about how this would get “illegal guns off the street”!
Teddy “Fat Boy” Kennedy has a bodyguard armed to the teeth with him at all times, even in the Capital where it is illegal to have a gun! Federal judges all can pack guns, but a law abiding peon is at the mercy of any criminal who is out on bail.

The Bill of Rights is used as toilet paper by every left winger who wants to destroy the Constitution, and normally does so with the help and encouragement of the federal judges and politicos who were sworn to up hold it! Anyone who refuses to give up their Constitutional rights is called an “extremist’ and forced, often at gun point, to “compromise”. If they don’t “compromise” enough they are killed.

Crime is so rampant that it doesn’t even register anymore unless it is personal. Remember the “St. Valentines Day Massacre”? Four mobsters killed seven other mobsters. Nothing note worthy or especially unusual about how they did it, they just lined them up and gunned them down. However that was such an unusual crime then, so heinous at the time, that it went down in history. Now the mass murderer doesn’t even get more than an honorable mention in the local papers most of the time.

When a crime is reported widely, it is often used to push the politicos pet projects which have nothing to do with stopping crime, but everything to do with controlling the masses. Remember the knifeing in NYC that the Mayor Dinkins said “proved” that NYC needed more gun control?! What a knifeing has to do with the need for more gun control (except to keep the victim from fighting back of course) was never mentioned, but the national papers carried stories about how NYC needed more gun control to “combat crime”.

Too many “survival” newsletters are doing their level best to pacify and dumb down their readers. Venting the anger and dreams of the masses into harmless day dreams with worthless “information”. Freedom of the press is only when “big bother” doesn’t object. They don’t really want useful information out before their readers, that might give the game away.

Look at any of the slick paper “survival” magazines. Useless “custom” weapons are promoted, trashy “survival” gear that would be lucky to survive a trip through the mail or a weekend camp out, “reviews” that are nothing more than free full page ads. One now defunct “survival” magazine had an article about buying stuff in the far east, you know, the “Zen” of bargaining on trips most of us will never get the chance to take for stuff we wouldn’t buy anyway.

The so called “survival” press, the “weird book” sellers, put out books that are for the weekend fantasizer. Most of the books are sold to people who don’t even go out and play “Batman in the Boondocks”, because if they did, they would find that the vast majority of the books are just plain wrong, or at least the vast majority are wrong about the vast majority of what they say. The ads, while barely this side of legal, are sure as hell misleading. Even the books that are accurate, are never put to use, other wise we would have every square acre in the US with a survivalist on it who knows judo, kung-fu, and four or five other fighting arts and lives off the land with out a care.

For too many “survivalists”, survivalism is just a way to pass the time, to tell themselves they are part of the elite, to make the world look less threatening. But instead of being less dangerous, it is more so. More so because they are just kidding themselves with regard to what they can do or know. Get out and practice what the newsletters and books preach, find out what is accurate and what is BS, and learn to think for yourself. The life you save may be your own.
Odds, Ends and Other Things

by Douglas P. Bell

Well I hope you will bear with me here, I’m going to bounce around a little bit and hope you can follow it. Read all the article, and then if you disagree with me, write to me in care of this publication.

First I don’t think that gold and silver is going to be the best survival investment. Boy, I bet that got the gold and silver bugs going! But bear with me as this will have bearing on some other things I’ll talk about here as well.

So why isn’t gold and silver THE investment to buy right now? Well gold is still at a low, so gold and silver will undoubtedly go up. So what’s wrong with that? Nothing. BUT it will be available later and other things might not be, so get what may or may not be available later NOW and wait to buy the other stuff that WILL be available later, even if at a higher price.

Also if there is collapse of society, what are you going to do with the gold and silver? It is only good if you have a government to give it a dollar value or an industry that needs it for industrial use. Also with gold and larger silver coins, how are you going to get change? Do you have a gold and silver metal checking kit to prove what you have, or if you are going to buy, is what you’re buying really gold and/or silver? So how do you know? If you can’t eat it, shoot it or make love to it, why have it?

So what will NOT be available later and what should you be buying NOW? Well let’s start with ammunition! There is a 200 year supply of handguns, but only a seven year supply of ammunition for them! At least that is what CONgress claims! After a few fire fights, that ammunition supply will be down quite a bit and there will STILL be a 200 year supply of handguns, or even more as there will be fewer people! Guns will (literally) last pretty much forever, but ammo will be used once or reloaded a few times and that is that, it is gone!

Cartridge cases are nearly impossible for the home workshop, or even the well equipped machine shop to make. Sure you can turn some of them out of solid brass stock, but in a high pressure weapon, such as the 9mm Luger loaded to work the action, they will last one shot! Bottle necked cartridges like the .308 or .223 are impossible for the home workshop to make so they will work through an auto-loading action, but can be made out of wound brass or copper sheet metal for single shots and low power loads, which pretty much negates the use of those type of cartridges.

The bullets can be cast, swaged, made from drill rod, or what ever. The powder and primers can be home made if you have too, but that is a last ditch effort and a good way to blow yourself sky high if you mess up, but the point is, it CAN be done! Not so with the cartridge case as I said! Also factory loaded ammunition will last longer and is a known factor, while your reloads are not as well sealed and are a total unknown to another shooter who has to take your word for it that you know what you are doing.

Next, think your ideas through! One “survivalist” sent me a letter about how he found THE PERFECT survival item, no one has any, everyone uses it, it has saved more lives than anything you can name, etc., etc., ad nauseam. He also refused to tell me what it was for several letters, afraid I would let the cat out of the bag and he no longer would have the corner on the market. The product? Soap! After I told him that soap was easy to make out of lye (leach wood ashes for lye) and animal fat (lard, grease) and had been made at home for several hundred years and still is (look on the back of the lye you buy at the store, most have how to make your own printed right there), I never heard back.

Another pet peeve is no one gets out and uses the products that their lives may depend on!
How many expert survivalist rifle or handguns shooters are there? Damn few! Many who think they are can be out shot by a new shooter who has spent a weekend at a good range getting taught how! In most areas there are IPSC, USPS or other shoots where you can go to learn to shoot your handgun and they often offer “three gun matches” (rifle, shotgun, handgun) as well. Sure, it will be expensive and the gear needed to win will be next to worthless in the real world, but use what you are planning to use if anything happens and the training can’t be beat. If you can’t find a shooting club, there are always target ranges for learning to shoot your rifles accurately. Besides, what use will money be to you when there is nothing left for you to spend it on? Think of this as life insurance that pays to keep you alive!

Now I don’t mean to pick on just guns, either! One survivalist I write to bought a new tent and went out to a month long archaeology dig, the first night a storm blew up and that was the end of the tent! Well sure, no one expected the tent to blow down and get wrecked by a rain storm, but the point is, they didn’t know that! They had never set the tent up before, not even in the back yard!

How many other survivalists have tents, sleeping bags, high tech gear, etc., that they have no idea how to use, or even if it will work to begin with?! From what I’ve seen and heard, most survivalists have gear that they have never used, and no idea about how to use! Many seem to have guns that they have never fired, boots they have never worn, back packs that have never been fitted to the person who plans to wear it, sleeping bags that have never been slept in, reams of “how to” books that are just plain wrong, and in many cases dangerously so! But because no one actually goes out and tries it or uses it, they don’t know, and won’t know if it will work, until it’s too late!

Do you have a bug out kit? The widely touted 72 hour kit proved to be dangerously short of supplies when put to the test after Hurricane Andrew! Sure it would be good for your camp outs or to carry in the car so when you don’t show up someone will be out looking for you, but for a major disaster? Sorry, it would be just enough to get you out of where you are, but after that? Nothing, you’re on your own again.

Paintballing is often touted as the ideal survivalist game, but is it? Now I LOVE paintballing, it is fun and a great trainer for learning how to set up ambushes, how to use camo, learning to crawl through the woods with out being seen or heard, etc. But it isn’t realistic.

Now while paintballing is about the most fun you can have with your (camo) clothes on, it is not a great “real life” combat trainer. It is normally (very) short range, the guns aren’t useful for anything else, etc. One thing though, when two equal shooters are put together, the best gear wins, almost every time! Use a single action paintball pistol and the shooter with the pump rifle can take on several pistol shooters and win! The automatic paintball rifle shooter beats the pump shooter, the better automatic paintball rifle beats the lesser automatic. Think about that when you are buying your defense weapons. Buy the best gear you can and LEARN HOW TO USE IT! Put two shooters out there with the same gear and the best shooter, not the best gear will start to win! Be sure that is you!
Surviving Totalitarianism in America
by Corceigh Green

Something is wrong in our once great land. America's sovereign Citizens are being murdered and incarcerated for the crime of exercising their constitutional rights and living the American dream. Waco, Ruby Ridge, Roby, Illinois, the Indiana Baptist Temple all of these incidents, as well as others, have shown American citizens one thing: if you resist government tyranny, you will be punished, or killed. After examining evidence, there can be no question that the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah federal building in Oklahoma City had federal assistance, though you will never hear this story break through the controlled mainstream press. The terrorist attacks on the world trade center also was assisted federally, if not completely orchestrated by the feds. No repercussions can be brought against federal actions, as the federal government is operating above the law. Our personal freedoms that the previous administration severely eroded away is being eroded away further by the present administration. Indeed every part of our Constitution remains under attack.

The deceptively labeled “PATRIOT Act” pretends to give governmental authorities powers that violate the Rights of Americans. The Bush administration continues to call for more usurpations of authority. American Citizens are being scrutinized and tracked through every action of their everyday lives.

Many Americans are now awaking to this fact, and are embarking upon courses of action to turn things around. The militia movement has fallen off after the “election” of Dubya Bush and after taking a lot of heat from the socialist press. Organizing in an effort to restore our Constitution and for a worst case scenario to defend lives and property from the actions of oppressive, tyrannical, color of law statutes and federal edicts, the militias were gaining recruits and support from Americans from all walks of life. From the Free Kentucky Militia, the Michigan Militia Wolverines, to the High Desert Militia of Southern California many individual militia members have seen that totalitarianism in America can no longer be ignored. Unfortunately, there are no more well managed and equipped militia in existence today.

Constitutional political parties are also cropping up around the land. Unfortunately, the established political processes, and vote fraud are working to shut them down. Is there anything that Mr. and Mrs. concerned citizen can do to help themselves remain free and alive should those that are abusing government authority decide to make you a criminal? Glad your thinking about it. If you are unable to join a militia or decide that it would be detrimental to your family if you were to become part of freedom's armed force, there is a course of action that you can take.

Before I begin, however, I would like to state that I am not, nor do I, advocate any illegal acts. Contrary to what the current political views and socialist media would like you to believe, I am not writing to spread hate and paranoia. I am expressing a concern that is felt by many Americans and has been backed up by recent events, and government actions. If the government doesn't like to be thought of as usurping American's freedoms, then it should not be taking actions that usurp American's freedoms. I do not consider many acts of government to be legal and I do not consider many laws passed to restrict freedom to be legal. I do advise however, that you not take actions that actually harm or restrict the freedom of your neighbors. I do advocate that you take steps to defend yourself, your family and the freedoms and liberty of Americans.

Now that I've explained my motives, and pointed out the dangers that we, as a once free people face, perhaps I can get down to
business. That business is forming a personal plan, a course of action to implement when those who have usurped authority finally cross the line of open aggression against the American people.

Our first course of action should be to remove ourselves from areas of vulnerability, such as cities which can be bottled up by militaries or federal troops. Citizens would then be forced to concede to all federal demands before food, water, or electricity would be allowed to flow in. Unfortunately, moving out of the city will not remove you entirely from vulnerability, but being away from the cities is still going to be an advantage when runaway federal agencies begin kicking in American's doors. Be aware, however, when the would be tyrants in Washington D.C. officially suspend our Constitution there will be no such thing as a safe area. In fact you may be viewed with even greater suspicion for living in certain areas, and living certain life styles.

The most advantageous method for addressing this problem for the present time seems to be locating a retreat into the back roads well off the beaten path. The main tactic behind this is not being removed from a government targeted area, but rather to make checking up on you more trouble for federal agents than would be worth the effort. You will probably have to provide your own electricity, septic tank, well water, and other modern conveniences, but the advantage to this is that the government will not be able to drive you out of your retreat by turning off your essential services.

You will want your retreat to provide for you all of the essentials of life, and if possible, some of the conveniences of civilization. Remember, you are providing yourself and family with this haven in order to lessen the severity of a repressive government that wishes to control all aspects of your life. With this basic concept in mind you will want your retreat to provide you with food, water, and shelter. This means a well with at least one hand operated pump, some garden space, maybe an orchard, or berry patches, and perhaps a chicken coop. The types of food sources that you set up at your retreat are dependent upon your own tastes and climate. You must delve into the particulars of gardening and food storage, and conform them to the size of your family and land plot. A good deal of information exists on the subject. Many such articles will appear in the pages of this magazine. Read as much as you can on the subject.

This brings us to the shelter aspect of the retreat. Here, we must take some precautions into consideration, such as comfort and survivability against assault. Your shelter must not only keep you dry, and warm in the winter, and cool in the summer, but you should also plan around the fact that you will be living outside of areas with services such as ambulance and fire departments. Also, if trouble arises, help from police will not be quickly forthcoming. With these considerations in mind, an earth shelter type home seems to look very favorable. If for financial, or other reasons an earth home is not possible, a concrete block home should also be considered. The above type homes are less vulnerable to wildfires, if you happen to live in an area where they are frequent. Also, they can be made less impregnable to looters, burglars, and small arms fire. A good first aid course, and if possible, an EMT course should be taken by at least one member of your family, or group, and clearly written instructions on how to get to your retreat should be kept by your phone, if you opt on having a phone. The above written instructions would be invaluable to a family member or friend calling for medical help if he or she were to become panicked, or flustered during the emergency.

Although we have covered the idea that our most advantageous shelter design would be of the earth shelter type, do not be discouraged if your budget will not allow for it. In most instances what many of us will have to settle for is setting a mobile home on
a few acres of property. To attain some level of small arms resistance in this case consider raising concrete block, or brick walls around the outside of your mobile home. (Of course exclude the windows and doors). Even earthen work ramparts can be considered. This can also be applied to pre-existing houses. Earthen work ramparts also provide good protection against small arms fire.

The type of retreat shelters envisioned above will provide good to excellent protection, however, when you consider the following scenario, a more expanded course of action appears necessary.

A national emergency has been declared, and there are armed forces personnel swarming over your property, backed up by tanks and armored vehicles. By presidential directive, they want all the firearms on the premises, as well as any survival stores deemed adverse toward society. No earth shelter or bunker home will be able to protect you and your family in this case. Remember the Waco atrocity? I have yet to see the citizen group, thus far, that can withstand an armored or airborne assault.

I am convinced that the best tactic to counter this threat is to avoid the federal forces. More simply put, just don't be home when big brother kicks in your door. When the ninja-clad multi jurisdictional task force agents raid your home, they will find you and your equipment gone, and safe from their tyrannical grasp. This will take some effort on your part, especially in the form of planning and preparation.

If you decided to take a vacation, you wouldn't just drive down the road till you found a nice place to park. You would decide where you want to go, what to do when you get there, and where to stay. That is basically how you plan to avoid big brother.

Realizing that no matter where in the woods you are located, because of banking rules, county taxes, auto licenses, etc., some bureaucrat somewhere will always know where you are, and unless you bought your firearms privately, form 4473 will tell them what you have. The trick will be to avoid the agents that they send to collect what you have. Begin doing this by looking for hiding places on your property where you can cache supplies, or even yourself, close at hand. Buried under a pile of metal junk may be a good place to cache some equipment. The metal junk will confuse snoopers with metal detectors.

Next, if there is national forest, or BLM land near by, this will provide caching and hide-out opportunities. Have more than one cache and camp sight available, you may need to travel, or one or more might become occupied.

Be aware of the features of the terrain where you wish to establish camps and caches. Use these terrain features to your advantage. Such as, an area with steep terrain, rock outcroppings, overhangs, gulches, and trees will provide caching opportunities under overhangs where disturbed soil will be harder to detect from satellite. You will also be harder to observe if you travel to your cache sights using gulches that are overgrown with trees and/or bushes.

For camp sights, a flat area with shrubbery or saplings for cover, and a water source, such as a spring or creek will serve well. Shy away from flood plains and large open areas though. The access to your camp should be a rarely used and little known small road. An abandoned logging road would be perfect.

Vegetation also plays an important part in your selection. Deciduous woods loose a great deal of their cover in the winter, but they can also provide food, such as acorns and hickory nuts. Coniferous woods provide great cover during all seasons, and although all coniferous, or pine nuts, are edible, most provide small nuts, and less food and bear only in the spring. Fortunately, most
coniferous forests contain a variety of fruit baring trees. Wild varieties of cherries and apples, as well as service berries and scrub oak are all prevalent in many of America's coniferous forests. Add blackberries, currents, huckleberries, cattails, etc. to your list, and look for appropriate camp sights close to these wild food sources. Bear in mind, also, that wild food sources are seasonal, and should be used in a supplemental fashion to the food stores that you bring with you.

Now you must sit down with your family or group and decide what equipment to cache, and where. Take into consideration how long you believe that you may be in hiding. If you have located your retreat wisely, federal bureaucrats may consider it too much of a bother to occupy for any length of time. Hopefully, if this situation ever comes into being, the tyrant dictators who will have committed this action will have their hands full attempting to locate hundreds of thousands of other citizens who have decided not to take part in their new world order. If federal forces become overwhelmed with too burdensome a task, perhaps constitutional government can then be restored by a once again free Citizenry. Also, take into account any medications that you or a member might need, as well as any children, or elderly in your group, or family. After considering your family, or group needs, you will need to cache appropriate amounts of food, ammo, and shelter making supplies.

Also plan escape routes out of your house, and through your property to a rendezvous zone, just in case. You will also have a lot to plan around considering the conditions in your area; are winters severe? Are summers hot? Is there plenty of water or very little? Keep thinking and planning, and if future events warrant, revise those plans when needed.

All this thinking and planning is well and good, and any arm chair survivalist can run this kind of thought through his head, but when your constitutional rights are no longer worth a politician's word, you will need your retreat established, supplies cached, and camp sights prepared instead of merely being thoughts in your head. This is where preparation and planning differ. Once you have your plan mapped out, uproot the heavy portion of your posterior from the sofa, and apply your plan with physical effort. In this way, you will become prepared.

Do not leave your physical preparation at that, however. The healthier, and stronger you are, the more effort you will be able to put into your preparation. Exercise and train regularly. You can lift weights, jog, bicycle, or cross train. Also, don't forget marksmanship training. Try to set up, or find a shooting range that will allow you to practice firing on multiple targets at different ranges from different shooting positions, and cover. A martial arts class wouldn't hurt either, but don't get into the fantasy of taking out twenty armed men, and dodging bullets.

For all of your planning and preparation, you do not want to awaken some early morning to the sound of your door being broken down followed by shouts from armed federal agents demanding to know where your guns are. You will need to know when to activate your plans to lay low away from home if danger of government aggression becomes eminent. It is likely that federal authorities will take action at least as soon as martial law is declared, perhaps sooner in some higher profile patriot's case. This may seem like very little to no warning, and to the vast majority of Americans it will be. Fortunately, for those of us that are aware that this danger already exists, the government, who has a modus operandi that it has not yet deviated from, will be warned by that modus operandi. The government uses the controlled main stream media to demonize those that it wishes to destroy. When media demonization is whipped into a crescendo, the government moves in for what has always been a devastating blow, claiming all the while that it's murderous actions were necessary because it's victims were crazy cultists, or terrorists.
Knowing this information gives us the advantage of knowing that when the controlled media are whipping up hysterical demonization of those who are exercising their rights under the Constitution, that federal action will soon be taking place against those rights.

One other tactic used, is that of a staged event, such as the bombing of a building, after which the government takes action against those groups whom they consider threats. In the past this event has usually been used to support dubious political action, such as the passage of a 'crime bill' or the mis-named "PATRIOT Act". In the future, larger scale staged events, (perhaps a nationwide terrorist campaign, or nuclear detonation) may be blamed on the so-called 'anti-government' movement to explain the suspension of our constitutional rights. When those of us who know the truth recognize a media led, national outcry against certain or all of our rights, we will understand that there are forces ready to move into action to further demonize our rights with the purpose of stripping us of them. We must, at that point, be ready to implement our plans of maintaining our freedoms.

Let’s go back over our course of action against tyranny. First, remove yourself from a strategically untenable position in an urban setting. Second, become self sufficient. Provide your own shelter, food and utilities. Third, be prepared to leave. Set up caches, rendezvous areas and camp or hiding sites. Know escape routes from your house and property. One thing I hadn’t yet covered is guerilla warfare. Be prepared for this as well. If enough Americans disappear into the expanse of American countryside enemy forces will be spread thin. It will be possible to snipe or strike at small groups of enemy soldiers, capture equipment and begin to cut off supply lines. This will serve to isolate the enemy to concentrations of populations. More on guerilla warfare in upcoming articles.

This article is meant as a blueprint for a personal plan for every concerned citizen who wishes to remain alive, and free in the face of coming new world disorder. Use this blueprint to form your own personal plan, then prepare. Act now to remain free.

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Resistance to Amerika’s emerging totalitarian state is being waged in several battle fields. One of those battle fields is in the “legal” arena erroneously called “court”. With Amerika’s adoption of the Babylonian code system of law known as the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC), the common law and our Constitution for these United States of America has been circumvented and Americans no longer have access to the true law of the land through the injustice system that is running the “courts”.

It is important to know your enemy when engaging in battle. A close look at the UCC will reveal the nature of the enemies of freedom. The UCC is basically a code which covers the conduct of contracting parties. The contracts covered in the UCC always involves the trade of wealth or perceived wealth for services or other wealth. It is through the device of the UCC that revenue is generated outside of the common law and our Constitution and funneled into the coffers of unconstitutional and unlawful agencies and bureaucracies.

The UCC “courts” are stacked against the individual who has contracted with the state or other corporate entities. As many are now finding, the injustice system is not likely to follow even it’s own rules known as procedure. It is more likely that procedure will be violated and several appeals will be necessary, robbing the individual of even more time and wealth.

This should not be taken to mean that resistance is futile. Many “legal” battles have been won by those seeking their freedom in the “legal” arena. The Independent American has been printing a column called The Legal Papers by Christopher Dilts, who is a legal expert on the UCC and “court” procedures. These narratives on “legal” procedure and the UCC has already been helpful to some. It has certainly been helpful to me.

For reading The Legal Papers has given me an understanding of the enemy which I found myself in need of recently. This understanding includes these principles by which the enemy operates: 1) Like “Old Scratch” of the Daniel Webster story, the enemy can bring no claim against you if you have no contract with him. 2) The UCC and the “courts” have no interest in the pursuit of justice. It is there to generate revenue to maintain it’s own existence by sapping the wealth from those who contract with the system it serves. 3) The system will use deception, intimidation, force and murder to get what it wants and will even break it’s own rules of conduct. 4) This system seeks to vanquish all other systems that would limit it’s powers or divert it’s extorted booty. The system that is in direct conflict with the UCC (or rather vice versa) is our Constitutional Republic which has set up institutions based upon and designed to defend personal freedoms.

With these principles in mind, I had considered that it is most beneficial to never contract with the corporate state entity. This would tend to insulate the individual from “legal” actions through the UCC. As with all battle fields, however, the “legal” front is also fluid and dynamic. Your defenses cannot be static and you must be able to fight a battle on the “legal” front as well as any other. For example, I had planned to stay away from “legal” battles until a couple of months ago.

A while ago, my dear old dad needed to visit the local hospital for some testing. Due to the price of medical procedures and not being from a rich family, dear old dad had to make arrangements with the hospital to pay for the testing. Dad never missed a payment and he always delivered what he promised. After several months of fulfilling this agreement,
dad got a curious letter from the hospital in the mail informing him that his agreement had been sold to American West Bank and further payments should be made to them. A day later dad got a letter from American West Bank informing him of the same and included a copy of American West Bank’s policy within the correspondence. Within American West Bank’s policy was the statement of finance and interest charges that was absent in the original agreement with the hospital.

Dear old dad asked me to help out with the situation and I applied the principles I had learned above to form a battle plan. I knew from reading *The Legal Papers* that no-one could without my father’s permission enter into a contract with him. I knew that the bank’s correspondence was an offer to contract deceptively worded to appear to be a final notice that the bank had taken possession of the agreement between the hospital and my dad.

Of course such a notice is not an ordinary offer to contract. UCC rules make it necessary for the victim of such correspondence to reply to the solicitor to decline any such “offer” or the victim will be considered to have accepted the “offer”. It is much easier to fight a battle when the threat is small than it is to allow the threat to grow. Rather than give my enemy a strategic claim, I decided to engage in a skirmish before they could reach the uneven ground of a UCC “court”. I would reply to their correspondence to decline their “offer” to contract and this is the form it took.

Dear Sirs:

This is in response to your, American West Bank, patient financing account which has not been agreed to. The name on the account is NAME IN ALL CAPS though I, Proper Name, do not represent the name on the account and have not agreed to contract with American West Bank on this account, agreement or contract. The revolving loan account number is xxxxxxxxx-xx though I, Proper Name, have not agreed to assume responsibility for the creation of this account, agreement and/or contract.

I am in receipt of your communication of 3-21-2005 informing me that you, meaning American West Bank, will be handling payments which I have been making in agreement with Benewah Community Hospital of 229 7th Street, St. Maries, Idaho 83861. In said communication you are offering different terms in your, American West Bank, loan contract offer. Specifically, but not limited to such differences are the addition of finance charges and interest charges in your contract that was not covered in the agreement I made with Benewah Community Hospital.

I am returning correspondence to inform you that I have not agreed to contract with you, American West Bank, or enter into any agreement with you or to conduct any business with you. I, Proper Name, decline any offers, contracts and/or agreements made or implied by American West Bank. I, Proper Name, am not responsible for the above mentioned account, agreement and/or contract.

My original agreement with Benewah Community Hospital of 229 7th Street, St. Maries, Idaho 83861 will be honored in accordance with the original agreement and with the original party, Benewah Community Hospital. Please remove my name, Proper Name, and/or the form NAME IN ALL CAPS from your solicitation list or any other roles or lists you may have my name, Proper Name, and/or the form NAME IN ALL CAPS listed on.

Sincerely,

I had this reply notarized and sent by registered mail. This would ensure I had proof of what was said and that the bank had received the reply. A notarized copy was kept by myself and one was also sent to the hospital to inform them that they had no authority to enter dad into a contract with a third party.

This seems a little long winded to merely
decline an offer, but you really need to have your ducks in a row when you tangle with a bank hungry for more revenue. Further reflection on this return correspondence will reveal a campaign of battle. Each paragraph is an engagement to counter enemy intrusion. The first paragraph is the opening engagement. It informs the enemy that it has arbitrarily created a contract between my dear old dad and the bank without dad’s permission and set up an account between parties for which dad is not responsible.

The second paragraph engages the enemy to counter it’s opening engagement, being it’s “offer” to contract. It let’s the enemy know that I have received the “offer” and recognize it as such. I also tell the enemy that I am not satisfied with it’s terms of contract (a very important point in that it shows that the terms of agreement are different than those that dad had agreed to).

The third paragraph informs the enemy that dear old dad has elected to decline American West Bank’s offer to contract and has not entered into any contract or agreement with them nor is he responsible for any accounts set up through third parties.

The fourth paragraph informs the enemy of my intentions to honor the original agreement with the original party. This removes the enemy’s weapon of a claim of “money” owed to move the battle into a UCC “court” setting. This engagement also let the enemy know that I wished no further contact with them.

In this campaign I did not have one enemy. I had two. As I skirmished with the bank, the hospital waded into the fray to open a new front. They replied to my correspondence informing them that they had not have permission to contract my father to a third party. Following is their reply.

Dear Mr. Green:

I am in receipt of your letter dated March 17, 2005. Please let me explain how our new process works, and how it benefits the hospital without any adverse affect on you.

We have sold your account receivable to CSI for collection. This allows the hospital to get its cash immediately, and allows you to pay according to the arrangements you previously made with the hospital.

According to what you are currently paying, as is true with many of our customers, it would take upwards of 18 months for the hospital to collect the monies it is owed. With this new process, we have our money now, and the monthly payments you have been making will be honored by American West Bank.

Given the absence of a written pay agreement or promissory note, we have the right to sell or assign our receivables as necessary.

I hope that you will see the benefit to this program for YOUR community hospital. I personally thank you for your support of Benewah Community Hospital and St. Maries Family Medicine. It is a privilege to be of service to you and your family.

Sincerely,

On the surface this doesn’t appear to be an offer to contract, but if I were not to answer any one of the engagements of the enemy, I would have de facto agreed. These new incursions must be answered. To answer took a lot of study in my State’s version of the UCC code. After days of study I had found my answers buried within and throughout the code, intended that only lawyers could find. Upon finding the answers I recognized that the enemy’s campaign was based solely upon deception, yet needed replies. Following was my reply.

Dear Sirs:

I, Proper Name, am in receipt of your,
Benewah Community Hospital, correspondence dated March 22, 2005. Though you have attempted through said correspondence to explain that a new contract which I am not a party nor do I agree to be a party, involving third parties, namely American West Bank and CSI Financial, will not affect me adversely, the explanation provided is not satisfactory to alleviate such concerns.

One of the said third parties, American West Bank, has contacted me with American West Bank’s offer to contract and agreement policy. The agreement policy offered by American West Bank differs from the verbal agreement I have entered into with you. Specific differences in said agreements are, but not limited to, the addition of finance charges and interest charges as part of American West Bank’s agreement which is not part of the agreement that I have entered into with Benewah Community Hospital. The addition of charges not covered in the agreement between myself and Benewah Community Hospital, is an adverse affect upon me as I would if I accept the offered contract, pay more in compensation than I have originally agreed to pay in agreement with Benewah Community Hospital.

Though there is an absence of a written agreement, written contract and/or promissory note between Benewah Community Hospital and myself a verbal contract does indeed exist between said parties, Proper Name and Benewah Community Hospital. This said verbal contract does not cover the involvement of a third party or parties. Benewah Community Hospital has agreed to said verbal contract and has accepted payments from me as agreed to under said verbal contract making Benewah Community Hospital party to said verbal contract under Idaho Code Title 29-105. Furthermore, Benewah Community Hospital having accepted said payment and rendered bills to Proper Name, written instruments of presumptive evidence satisfying Idaho Code Title 29-103 exists giving proof to said verbal contract under Idaho Code Title 29-105. As per verbal contract, I, Proper Name, must restate my position:

I, Proper Name, entered into agreement with Benewah Community Hospital, for the payment of services which Benewah Community Hospital rendered. This agreement was entered into with Benewah Community Hospital and no third parties being involved. Be now advised that I, Proper Name, have not agreed to contract with, enter into any agreement with and/or conduct any business with parties other than Benewah Community Hospital. I, Proper Name, have declined and continue to decline any offers, contracts and or agreements made or implied by Benewah Community Hospital to allow a third party or parties to manage my agreement with Benewah Community Hospital. I am not responsible for accounts, agreements and/or contracts offered through a third party or parties or by Benewah Community Hospital to allow a third party or parties to manage my agreement with Benewah Community Hospital.

My original agreement with Benewah Community Hospital of 229 7th Street, St. Maries, Idaho 83861 will be honored in accordance with the original agreement and with the original party, Benewah Community Hospital.

I hope that you can see that offers to contract through third parties does affect me adversely.

Sincerely,

Again the response was quite long winded and again quite necessary if I wanted to win this particular campaign on my terms without spending resources on the enemies’ uncertain battleground.

This series of engagements was merely a reiteration of my stance and backing my stance up with statute. This let the enemy know that I recognized their campaign was based on deception and I intended to fight them. This also let them know I had the greater “legal”
footing and that I had answered the charge that the new contract with third parties would not adversely affect dear old dad.

Though I knew I had the better claim, I must admit I was somewhat worried to engage the enemy in a rigged “court” battlefield. In a “court” all “officials” are your enemies. This includes the judge, the plaintiff, the plaintiff’s attorney and even your attorney. As I said above, there is no guarantee that these “officials” will obey their own proceedings and rules. They will not obey our Constitution or common law. The ball was now in their court (pun unintended). It was now up to the enemy as to how they would answer my engagements against their campaign to extract extra revenue from my dad.

I received the enemy response on March 30. I was rewarded with the enemy’s complete capitulation in the following correspondence.

RE: Benewah Community Hospital
Acct# xxxxxxx-xx American West Bank
Acct# xxxxxxx-xx

Dear Mr. Green

We have returned your account # xxxxxxx-xx to the hospital for further processing.

We want to confirm at this time account # xxxxxxx-xx is closed at American West Bank and has been repurchased by the hospital.

If you have any further concerns please contact this office at (888)334-xxxx, Monday through Thursday 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM, Friday 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and Saturday 7:00 AM to 11:00PM Central Standard Time (CST).

Sincerely,

I have heard nothing from the hospital, but they continue to accept payments from my father. This small “legal” battle ended in the favor of justice. This is partly due the small size of the battle and I did not try to nullify the agreement. I merely wished to uphold the original agreement. Had a collection agency been brought in or had I been sued in a “court”, I would definitely had countered with nullification or counter sued. From the opening skirmishes, the enemy decided I was too well defended to engage in a larger scale battle. As a result the enemy was forced to accept what was agreed too and failed to collect one red cent more.

When engaging the enemy, Americans will need to maneuver on several battlefields. The injustice system is one of those battlefields. It is a very treacherous ground that is occupied on all sides by the enemy who is not encumbered by the need to follow rules or law. The Independent American will continue to print The Legal Papers and instruct Americans to the procedures of the UCC system.

After having thus successively taken each member of the community in its powerful grasp and fashioned him at will, the supreme power then extends its arm over the whole community. It covers the surface of society with a network of small, complicated rules, minute and uniform, through which the most original minds and the most energetic characters cannot penetrate, to rise above the crowd. The will of man is not shattered, but softened, bent, and guided; men seldom forced by it to act, but they are constantly restrained from acting. Such a power does not destroy, but it prevents existence; it does not tyrannize, but it compresses, enervates, extinguishes, and stupefies a people, till each nation is reduced to nothing better than a flock of timid and industrious animals, of which the government is the shepherd. - Alexis de Tocqueville
You just can’t put together an issue on the subject of resistance without covering a method to combat heavy equipment like tanks or fortifications. Throughout the early days of armored warfare, peasants and poorly armed subjects and civilians have turned to what we’ve come to call the Molotov cocktail. The Molotov is basically any liquid flammable fuel, thickened by melting styrofoam, soap and even powdered metals like aluminum into the fuel. The fuel is then poured into a bottle. A rag used for a wick is then stuffed into the bottle’s mouth. Just before the Molotov cocktail is used against a target, the wick is lit and the Molotov is thrown hard onto the target.

The Molotov cocktail can be effective against fixed targets like foxholes, or enemy occupied houses, barns and dug-outs. Against modern armor, however, I’d much rather have better equipment. Yes, a Molotov can damage a tank’s night vision equipment and obscure view with smoke in the daylight, but it is unlikely to stop a tank today. Moreover, the light given off by the rag wick easily silhouettes the user in the dark and is still bright enough to give away position during the day. If your position is given away while using a Molotov hopefully you’ll be killed instantly by suppressing fire rather than wounded, dropping the Molotov, and burning to death as a flambé.

This puts the Molotov way down on my list as preferred weaponry. As improvised weapons go, however, I do see that they could have their uses. The Molotov is the most easily improvised of weapons and can be deployed by smart individuals and groups who know their limitations.

The largest drawback that the Molotov cocktail carries is that stupid rag wick that is most apt to give you away before the weapon can be deployed. I highly recommend that Independent Americans not rely on Molotov cocktails as part of their defense or resistance plans. However, as mentioned, the Molotov is the most easily improvised weapon that can be devised other than picking up a rock or stick. Should you find yourself unarmed, improvising a Molotov can be useful IF you improvise a Molotov without that stupid rag wick!

Fortunately, the 1969 US government training manual 31-210 illustrates two plans for improvising self igniting fire bottles or Molotovs. A word of advice here. Use these ONLY when necessary to save your life or country. DO NOT use these to defend ground, ESPECIALLY against armor! If you see tanks, APCs or IFVs, RUN LIKE HECK! These should be used against fortifications when your side has the initiative or when employing sabotage. And don’t be a stupid fool and start using these things for light or transient purposes!

That said, here are the instructions for making self igniting Molotovs.

**Chemical Fire Bottle**

This incendiary bottle is self igniting on target impact

**Material required:**
Sulfuric acid  source: car batteries
Gasoline
Potassium Chlorate source: See The Independent American July/August 2003
Sugar
Glass bottle with stopper (roughly 1 quart size)
Small bottle or jar with lid.
Rag or absorbent paper source: paper towels or newspapers
String or rubber bands

Procedure

1. **Sulfuric acid must be concentrated.** If battery acid or other dilute acid is used, concentrate it by boiling until dense white fumes are given off. Container used should be of enamel ware or oven glass.

   Caution: Sulfuric acid will burn skin and destroy clothing. If any is spilled, wash it away with a large quantity of water. Fumes are also dangerous and should not be inhaled.

2. Remove the acid from heat and allow to cool to room temperature.

3. Pour gasoline into the large (1 quart) bottle until it is approximately 2/3 full.

4. Add concentrated sulfuric acid to gasoline slowly until the bottle is filled to within 1 to 2 inches from top. Place the stopper on the bottle.

5. Wash the outside of the bottle thoroughly with distilled water.

   Caution: If this is not done, the fire bottle may be dangerous to handle during use.

6. Wrap a clean cloth or several sheets of absorbent paper around the outside of the bottle. Tie with string or fasten with rubber bands.

7. Dissolve 1/2 cup of potassium chlorate and 1/2 cup of sugar in 1 cup of boiling water.

8. Allow the solution to cool, pour into the small bottle and cap tightly. The cooled solution should be approximately 2/3 crystals and 1/3 liquid. If there is more liquid than this, pour off excess before using.

   Caution: Store this bottle separately from the other bottle.

**How To Use**

1. Shake the small bottle to mix contents and pour onto the cloth or paper around the large bottle.

   Bottle can be used wet or after solution has dried. However, when dry, the sugar-potassium chlorate mixture is very sensitive to spark, friction or flame and should be handled accordingly.

2. Throw or launch the bottle. When the bottle breaks against a hard surface (target) the fuel will ignite.

**Mechanically Initiated Fire Bottle**

The mechanically initiated fire bottle is an incendiary device which ignites when thrown against a hard surface.
Materials required:

Glass jar or short neck bottle with a leak proof lid or stopper
Tin can or similar container just large enough to fit over the lid of the jar
Coil spring approximately 1/2 the diameter of the tin can and 1 1/2 times as long
Gasoline
4 “Ohio Blue Tip” or “strike anywhere” matches
A flat piece of wood or metal approximately 1/2” X 1/16” X 4”
Wire or heavy twine
adhesive tape

Procedure

1. Draw or scratch two lines around the can - one 3/4” and the other 1 1/4” from the open end.
2. Cut 2 slots on opposite sides of the tin can at the line farthest from the open end. Make slots large enough for the flat wood or metal to pass through.
3. Punch 2 small holes just below the rim of the open end of the can.
4. Tape matches together in pairs. The distance between the match heads should equal the inside diameter of the can. Two pairs are sufficient.
5. Attach paired matches to second and third coils of the spring, using thin wire.
6. Insert the end of the spring opposite the matches into the tin can.
7. Compress the spring until the end with the matches passes the slot in the can. Pass the flat wood or metal through slots in can to hold spring in place. This acts as a safety device.
8. Punch many closely spaced small holes between the lines marked on the can to form a striking surface for the matches. Be careful not to seriously deform can.


10. Turn can over and place over the jar so that the flat wood or metal rests on jar.

11. Pass wire or twine around the bottom of the jar. Thread ends through holes in can and bind tightly to jar.

12. Tape wire or cord to jar near the bottom.

How To Use

1. Carefully withdraw flat safety wood or metal.

2. Throw jar at hard surface.

Caution: DO NOT REMOVE SAFETY UNTIL READY TO THROW FIRE BOTTLE! The safety, when in place, prevents ignition of the fire bottle if it should accidentally be broken.
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Understanding The Fair Debts Practice Act And The Fair Collections Reporting Act Part IV

We continue with the narration of the legal methods of discharging debt and stopping harassing communications from collections agencies. Thus far we have explained some of the protections found inside the UCC. A brief pause is needed at this point to inform the reader where he or she may find the forms necessary to file complaints against collection agencies with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). The official online complaint page may be found at https://rn.ftc.gov/dod/wsolcq$.startup?Z_OR_G_CODE=PU01 - 27k - Apr 25, 2005 -

The Fair Collections Reporting Act Applications

The applications of this Act are done through the use of the affidavit. You can ask for a free credit report if denied credit, take all unverified accounts off your credit report, remove all information that is over 7 years old, and add up to a 100 characters explaining the debt that can not be removed.

Applications

To get a free credit report when denied credit all that is required is a simple letter (see end of packet) with copy of the letter denying you credit sent in within 60 days.

To get all unverified accounts off your account all that is required is a simple letter requesting verification (see end of packet) followed up my a demand letter in 30 days and a complaint to the Federal Trade Commission if the agency fails to reverify the debt. In doing this they have to notify you with a written statement that the account has been lifted.

To get all debts that are over 7 years old removed from your credit report is write a letter stating the debt is over 7 years old and they are to remove it and give you notice when it is removed.

To explain an unremovable debt in dispute, again, write a letter requesting they add the explanation to your credit report.

Filing Complaint for violations of the law with Federal Trade Commission

Filing a complaint may seem trivial, but every time that I have filed a complaint the debt collectors are more than willing to meet the requirements of my request. There are two reasons to file a complaint, first, to show that you are more than willing to go on with filing a civil suit against the collection agency for failure to follow The Fair Debt Practice Act and The Fair Credit Reporting Act; second, usually you get what you are requesting when you file these complaints. The best way to file one of these complaints is online. On the Federal Trade Commission website found at http://www.ftc.gov/ you will find where you can file the complaint. When you file this complaint you will want to make a copy of it before you submit it so you can send it to the agency that has been failing to follow the law. This is a very effect tool and you only have to use it once with an agency.

Basics of Contracts and The Important Parts of the UCC

What a contract must have to be lawful:

1) COMPETENT PARTIES;

Competent: Duly qualified; answering all requirements; having sufficient capacity, ability or authority; possessing the requisite
physical, mental, natural or legal qualifications; able; adequate; suitable; sufficient; capable; legally fit. A testator may be said to be “competent” if he or she understands (1) the general nature and extent of his property (2) his relationship to the people named in the will and to any people he disinherits; (3) what a will is; and (4) the transaction of simple business affairs.

**Parties:** The persons who take part in the performance of any act, or who are directly interested in any affair, contract, or conveyance, or who are actively concerned in the prosecution and defense of any legal proceeding.

In the Roman civil law, the parties were designated as “actor” and “rues”. In civil action they are called “plaintiff” and “defendant”; in equity, “complainant,” or “plaintiff”, and defendant; in admiralty practice, “libellant” and “respondent” or “libinee”; in appeals, “appellant” and “respondent” or “appellee”, or sometimes, “plaintiff in error” and “defendant in error”; in criminal proceedings, “State of _____ or “United States of America”, and “defendant”.

The issue of parties is important to understand when dealing with proper contracts. If the one of the parties is incorrect, or lacks the ability to sue, or has no legal authority the contract can be made void. With this being the case you will find that quite a few of the contracts are made incorrectly and have no legal authority.

2) **SUBJECT MATTER;**

The subject, or matter presented for consideration; the thing in dispute; the right which one party claims as against the other, as the right to divorce; of ejectment; to recover money; to have foreclosure. Nature of cause of action, and of relief sought. In trusts, the *res* or the things themselves which are held in trust. Restatement, Second, Trusts, § 2.

Subject matter is at the heart of all law actions. In the contract area if there is improper subject matter, illegal or not real that makes the contract void.

3) **LEGAL CONSIDERATION;**

The inducement to a contract. The cause, motive, price, or impelling influence which induces a contracting party to enter into a contract. The reason or material cause of a contract. Some right or material cause of a contract. Some right, interest, profit or benefit accruing to one party, or some forbearance, detriment, loss, or responsibility, given, suffered, or undertaken by the other. Restatement, Second, Contract, §§ 17(1), 71. It is a basic, necessary element for the existence of a valid contract that is legally binding on the parties. One recognized or permitted by the law as valid and lawful; as distinguished from such as are illegal or immoral. The term is also sometimes used as equivalent to “good” or “sufficient” consideration.

This is important as well, because in every contract there must be legal consideration. This consists of understanding the lawfulness of the contract and the agreements. If a contract is obtained through fraud there is a lack legal consideration and is therefore void.

4) **MUTUALITY OF AGREEMENT;**

Reciprocation; interchange. An acting by each of two parties; an acting in return. “Mutuality of contract; means that obligation rests on each party to do or permit doing of something in consideration of other party's act or promise; neither party being bound unless both are bound. Called, also mutuality of obligation.

A meeting of two or more minds; a coming
together in opinion or determination; the coming together in accord of two minds on a given proposition. In law, a concord of understanding and intention between two or more parties with respect to the effect upon their relative rights and duties, of certain past or future facts or performances. The consent of two or more persons concurring respecting the transmission of some property, right, or benefits with the view of contracting an obligation, a mutual obligation.

The so-called meeting of the minds is important but does not void a contract due to several reasons. Although I will not go into them here the meeting of the minds just means you know of the agreement and show some sign that you were willing to enter into it.

5) MUTUALITY OF OBLIGATION

Mutuality of obligation requires that unless both parties to a contract are bound, neither is bound. Such obligation as pertaining to executory contract requires that each party to agreement be bound to perform, and if it appears that one party was never bound to do the same acts which formed the consideration for promise of the other, there is lack of mutuality of obligation and other party is not bound.

Stated simply this means that in all agreements there must be a party offering and one accepting; either goods for services, services for services, etc. In a contract where only one is required to perform an act it usually can be made voidable.

Now that we have a basic grasp of the five elements of a contract, let us now look at some of the basic law that governs contracts. The U.C.C. is the law that contract fall under. We will site what the U.C.C. is and some of the most useful sections.

Uniform Commercial Code: One of the Uniform laws drafted by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws and the American Law Institute governing commercial transactions (including sales and leasing of goods, transfer of funds, commercial paper, bank deposits and collections, letter of credit, bulk transfers, warehouse receipts, bills of lading, investment securities, and secured transactions). The U.C.C. has been adopted in whole or substantially by all states.

UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE

U.C.C. 1-106 Remedies to be liberally Administered.
U.C.C. 1-107 Waiver or renunciation of claim or Right after breach.
U.C.C. 1-109 section captions are part of the act.
U.C.C. 1-201 General Definitions.
U.C.C. 1-202 Prima Facie Evidence by third party documents.
U.C.C. 1-203 Obligation of Good Faith.
U.C.C. 1-205 Course of dealing — usage & trade.
U.C.C. 1-206 Statute of Frauds
U.C.C. 1-207 Performance or Acceptance under Reservation of Rights.
U.C.C. 1-208 Option to Accelerate at will.
U.C.C. 2-103 Definitions. (1) (a) Good Faith (2) Acceptance — 2-606 (1) (2) Bankers Code 2-325 (3)
U.C.C. 2-104 (2) Financing Agency.
U.C.C. 2-105 (6) Commercial Unit.
U.C.C. 2-201 Formal Requirements — Statute of Frauds.
U.C.C. 2-302 Unconscionable Contract or Clause.
U.C.C. 2-515 Preserving Evidence in dispute.
U.C.C. 2-609 Right to Adequate Assurance of Performance.
U.C.C. 2-721 Remedies for Fraud.
U.C.C. 3-103 Definitions.
U.C.C. 3-104 (a) negotiable Instrument.
U.C.C. 3-104 (3)(f) Check (g) Cashiers Check (h) Tellers Check (i) Travelers Check (j) Certificate of Deposit.
U.C.C. 3-115 Incomplete Instrument.
U.C.C. 3-118 Statue of Limitations — An action to collect must be started within 6 years after due date.
U.C.C. 3-119 Notice of Right to Defend Action.
U.C.C. 3-202 Negotiation Subject to Rescission on any part of Illegal transaction.
U.C.C. 3-204 Signature — Endorsement.
U.C.C. 3-205 (a) Special Endorsement. (b) Blank Endorsement (d) Anonymous Endorsement.
U.C.C. 3-303 Value & Consideration.
U.C.C. 3-304 Overdue Instrument.
U.C.C. 3-305 Defenses & Claim in Recoupment — Repliven.
U.C.C. 3-401 Signature.
U.C.C. 3-407 Alteration.
U.C.C. 3-415 Obligation of Endorser.
U.C.C. 3-419 Instruments — Signed for Accommodation.
U.C.C. 3-501 Presentment.
U.C.C. 3-502 Dishonor.
U.C.C. 3-503 Notice of Dishonor.
U.C.C. 3-505 Evidence of Dishonor.
U.C.C. 3-603 (A)(B)(C) Tender of Payment — Discharge of indebtedness.
U.C.C. 3-604 (a)(b) Discharge by cancellation or renunciation.
U.C.C. 4-104 Definitions (24) hours
U.C.C. 4-104(1).
U.C.C. 4-105 Bank.
U.C.C. Elapsed time for financing statements is 5 years — except those of fixed times such as mortgages under U.C.C. Section 9-403 (6).

We will continue the narration on The Fair Debts Practice Act and The Fair Collections Reporting Act next issue with Debt Collections and Prohibited Acts.

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"You seem... to consider the judges as the ultimate arbiters of all constitutional questions; a very dangerous doctrine indeed, and one which would place us under the despotism of an oligarchy... The Constitution has erected no such single tribunal."
-Thomas Jefferson-

"[T]he discretion of the judge is the first engine of tyranny."
-Edward Gibbon- `The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire'

The more corrupt the state, the more numerous the laws.
-Tacitus-
The Social Security Number and Identification

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The SSN is a strange thing to most Americans. We are told at a young age we must have one to enroll in a public school, obtain a state issued drivers license, obtain credit, insurances, employment or even rent a video at block buster.

My quest to uncover the truth behind SSN's started over 12 years ago. Everywhere I went, people demanded my SSN. The question that kept popping-up in my head was whether (disclosure of my SSN was required)? No one seemed to know the answer to this question. Most of the local attorneys I spoke with did not even know.

This all changed when an old man showed me his pre-issued 1974 SSN card. I compared his card to mine. At the bottom of his card was printed “For Social Security and Tax Purpose-Not For Identification”. But, when I looked at my post-1974 SS card, it said nothing.

If the SS card states that the individual SSN is not to be used for identification, then why is it used for that very purpose all throughout every facet of our society? Every corporation and government agency in America could not be violating the Law. Could they? This is where my quest began some 12 years ago.

After studying hundreds of hours in the university law library covering everything from the U.S. Codes, Public Laws, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Federal Court Cases involving individuals and their SSN, American Jurisprudence and many other Law books. I can say that the American people have been suckered into the biggest deception ever played in civilization, O.K., the second biggest.

Here is the short version of what took me 12 years of studying to learn. The reason the SSA (Social Security Administration) omitted the phrase “Not for Identification” on the bottom of all post-1974 SSN cards was due to the creation of the Privacy Act of 1974 (USC 5 Sec. 552a). This Law is designed to protect the individual's right to privacy including their SSN (set out is an annotation in that U.S. Code).

Since the government now created a law governing SSN, the SSA was no longer obligated to print the phrase “Not for Identification” on the SSN card letting everyone know their rights on the subject. Remember, it’s your government. You are supposed to know the laws they are passing to benefit you. Ignorance of the law is no excuse.

The Privacy Act of 1974 annotation governing SSN”s states the following;
At the time of the creation of the Privacy Act of 1974, there were only four instances, which required an individual to disclose his SSN by Law.

To answer my question as to whom I am required to disclose my SSN to is a trick question.

The Social Security Act states in 42 USC Sec. 405 (c) (i) that; “It is the policy of the United States that any State (or political subdivision thereof) may, in the administration of any tax, general public assistance, driver’s license, or motor vehicle registration law within its jurisdiction, utilize the SSN’s issued by the Commissioner of Social Security for the purpose of establishing the identification of individuals affected by such law,…

However, through my studies of Federal court cases, I have found “exceptions to the rule”. In Roy v. Cohen, which is a Supreme Court case, the court ruled that the SSN of a 2-year-old American Indian child could not be used to disseminate information into the AFDC program based on Religious grounds.

In Equal Employment Opportunity Commission v. Information Systems Consulting heard in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division. An individual was hired without a SSN. He was never assigned a SSN due to his religious beliefs. He was fired for refusing to obtain a SSN in order to work at the place of business. The E.E.O.C. filed suit on his behalf for discrimination.
The truth came out that the I.R.S. has been using an “internal policy or regulation” since the 1960’s to require SSN’s from taxpayers for reporting purposes. Not a Federal Statutory Law which is required to make any U.S. Citizen disclose any information by the demand of his own government, which would otherwise be afforded the protection of the U.S. Constitution under the 4th and 5th amendments.

So to clean this mess up, Public Law 94-455 known as the Tax Reform Act of 1976 was created and passed. Since the Privacy Act of 1974 annotation stated in section (2)(B) that; “disclosure of SSN to agency must have maintained a system of records in existence and operating before January 1, 1975, and if disclosure was required under statute or regulation adopted prior to that date to verify the identity of individual’s”. To clarify the I.R.S.

11. Use of Social Security Numbers (sec. 1211 of the bill, sec. 6109 of the Code and secs. 205 and 208 of the Social Security Act)

Present law

Under present law, a person required to file an income tax return must include an identifying number in his return (sec. 6109). In general, individuals use their social security numbers for this purpose (regs. sec. 801.6109–1).

The Social Security Act currently provides criminal penalties for the willful, knowing and deceitful use of a social security number for purposes relating to obtaining, or increasing the amount of, benefits under Social Security and certain other programs (sec. 208(g) of the Social Security Act).

Under present law, it is unlawful for any Federal, State or local government agency to deny to any individual any right, benefit, or privilege provided by law because of such individual’s refusal to disclose his social security account number, except where disclosure is required by Federal statute or is required by a Federal, State or local agency under statute or regulation adopted prior to January 1, 1975.  

Reasons for change

Section 6104 of the Code requires taxpayers to use identifying numbers as prescribed by regulations. Although the social security number has in fact been used as the identifying number since that section was enacted in 1961, there is no provision in the Code requiring or specifically authorizing use of the social security number as the identifying number on tax returns. The Secretary of the Treasury has stated that the ability of the IRS to use social security numbers as identifying numbers for tax purposes is essential to Federal tax administration. The committee believes that this provision is necessary to eliminate any question as to the authority of the Secretary to use these numbers.

While the Social Security Act currently provides criminal penalties for the wrongful use of a social security number for the purpose of obtaining or increasing certain benefit payments, including social security benefits, there is no provision in the Code or in the Social Security Act relating to the use of a social security number for purposes unrelated to benefit payments. The committee believes that social security numbers should not be wrongfully used for any purpose.
position, section 11 of P.L. 94-455 states the following:

This Public Law lead to the creation 26 USC Subsec. 6724(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) with respect to the solicitation of SSN's and identifying numbers in general by employers for tax reporting. Section 6724(a) states:

| No penalty shall be imposed under this part with respect to any failure if it is shown that such failure is due to reasonable cause and not willful neglect. |

Similarly, an agency may demand that an employee supply their SSN for the purpose of identity verification, if it had used SSN's for that purpose prior to January 1, 1975. See Brookens v. U.S..

To translate this statement, you must read E.E.O.C. v. Information Systems Consulting. It states that as long as the employer ask the employee for their SSN, rather than having failed to ask the employee at all, will such fines and/or fees against the employer be waived for failure to provide a SSN for reporting purposes.

Please keep in mind that 99.99% of all America has no clue that this even exist in the I.R.C. (Internal Revenue Code) Most business owners only know what their government trained C.P.A.'s tell them. Plus the fear of having an audit by the I.R.S. keeps employers in line with policy, even if the policy is a lie. The fine for the employer for not obtaining a SSN from the employee is $50.00 per calendar year.

The courts have consistently held that the mandatory disclosure of SSN's by recipients of public assistance to the appropriate social welfare officials is not prohibited by the Privacy Act, since the SS Act is a statute which requires disclosure of SSN's within the term of the Privacy Act. See Doe v. Sharp, Green v. Philbrook, Chambers v. Klein, Greater Cleveland Welfare Rights Org. v. Bauer.

Also, States that issues driver's license and motor vehicle registration use the same SS Act statute as public assistance gains their authority from to use SSN's as identifiers since those agencies were using SSN's exclusively of identifying purposes before January 1, 1975. But, again through my studies, I have uncovered “exceptions to the rule”.

Disputes have arisen over whether an agency has given adequate notice of the uses made of SSN's. it has been held that personal notice should be given and the agency must comply with the statutory requirement that individuals be informed of the voluntary nature of the disclosure, the source of the authority for it, and possible uses to which the disclosed numbers might be put.

That is why section 7(b) was installed in the annotation. Section 7(b) of the Privacy Act implies a private right of action for prospective relief to redress violations of the restrictions on use of SSN's.

This article is a very general overview
of my 12 years of study on the subject of disclosure of SSN’s. Most of the success I have had in preventing disclosure has been by using the written form of the “Statute at Large”. At the request of my friends, I was encouraged to write a book on this subject and document “how” I obtained over 20 credit cards, financed a house, obtained insurance and utilities without ever disclosing my SSN.

Please feel free to contact the author.

The Author has written a book and made instructional videos on DVD and VHS. For any Independent Americans who would like further answers to living with the quandary of a socialist security number, the staff of The Independent American highly recommend the reader purchase the author’s information. Americans must learn the scams that are being played against them in order to live free. The following advertisements give the author’s contact points. Please learn more.

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-Ronald Reagan-

Is Your Social Security Number Required?

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So there!

The Kiss-Off
Commentaries

by Pug Mahone

We have a problem here in America. We are being overrun by a particularly nasty species of vermin. They began springing up here and there across the nation many, many years ago. Like all vermin, these particularly nasty and worthless varmints have bred rapidly and spread across the land. After all, they could afford to. They feed off the work and stores of honest working folk everywhere the way vermin tend to do. These vermin have spread so thickly during the years that they have overrun every area in the United States. They have made it impossible for Americans to use their land as they wish. They have made it impossible for Americans to travel freely or to own a business, grow crops or even own property.

These vermin, the *rodensis tyrannus*, has filled America’s institutions with their foul droppings. The droppings of the *rodensis tyrannus* are particularly foul. These worthless little creatures eat out the substance of honest Americans and spew out tons of socialist filth. This filth stacks up over time to clog the avenues of honest Americans to access and exercise their Natural Rights. They have infested and taken up home in many institutions which used to be institutions of American government. Now the dens of the *rodensis tyrannus*, these former institutions are clogged with the socialist filth droppings of the vermin. When these droppings pack together and harden they are called statutes or codes. Most Americans have had the odor of these filthy droppings in their nostrils for so long that they no longer recognize these foul droppings for what they are. Since they litter what was once recognizable as an American institution, many Americans mistakenly refer to these droppings as law.

When the *rodensis tyrannus* packs a wad of foul droppings to the extent that it restricts the flow of justice so much so that an honest American can no longer exercise his or her natural rights in that area, the vermin move to clog other avenues with it’s foul droppings.

Take property ownership for example. Americans have the absolute, Natural Right to own property. Yet, the swarming packs of *rodensis tyrannus* have clogged the avenue of property ownership with foul droppings like property taxes, school bonds, zoning statutes and planned communities. Do you truly own your property if a *rodensis tyrannus* may place a bond or compel you to pay a yearly rent called a tax on it? Try not paying this extortion to find out. Your avenue to truly own property has been clogged by the foul droppings of *rodensis tyrannus*.

These vermin scampered and scurried in to fill up legislative institutes with their filthy little bodies. While infesting legislative institutes, they began to corrupt them with their foul droppings. They clogged the passageways surrounding the Constitution. Unable to refer to their Constitutionally Guaranteed Rights in an infested institute erroneously called a court, honest Americans have been blocked from justice and the exercise of those Rights.

You see, the vermin have infested the judicial institutes as well. Tribunal proceedings, jury tampering and even violating their own rules of procedure are more foul droppings that clog an honest American’s avenues to justice.
Any avenue that led to referring to the Constitution to claim your Rights has been blocked by the foul droppings of procedure and venue. Vermin infesting the legislative institutes have honest Americans convinced that whatever filthy droppings they spew forth is presumed constitutional until tested by the vermin infested supreme “court”. If a vermin’s wad of droppings are so foul that even an infested institute like the supreme “court” could not cover the odor, the vermin simply refuse to hear the case. If the vermin believe they can mask their odor, they will rule their foul droppings as only harmless, but necessary, statutes.

How could such filthy little creatures as the *rodensis tyrannus* have become so prevalent and successful in America? This is directly the fault of the American people. These vermin began to show their faces very slowly and in small numbers when they first appeared. They appeared to be “reasonable” creatures who were concerned only with the “common good”. Those types who wanted to collect just pennies from all to give dollars to the needy. Then more nickels and quarters from all for “education”, “health care”. There were always more excuses to take more. *Rodensis tyrannus* infested bureaus sprung up with the excuse to “distribute the wealth”. Other *rodensis tyrannus* holes were created to enforce their foul droppings of socialist statutes.

Americans didn’t recognize the infestation when it first began. When it became widespread, Americans were stupid and cowardice. The infestation would have been easy to eradicate when still small. When the *rodensis tyrannus* first peered it’s beady little rat eyes over a bench and rendered a false judgment, Americans should have shotguned the varmint and cleaned it’s filthy droppings from the den, thus cleansing the institution and returning it to an honest form of government once again.

Because these vermin were not handled as vermin when they first to began to infest American institutions they spread and became firmly entrenched. Their filthy holes littering our institutions and their droppings surrounding us and keeping honest Americans from living freely.

Now we have a very serious mess to clean up. It is not going to be easy with so many Americans displaying either cowardice or stupidity. Americans who have had a glimpse of what rests beyond the dropping choked avenues to justice and their Natural Rights and want to live free are rare. That leaves Americans who would willingly resist *rodensis tyrannus* in short supply. This is partly what keeps the cowards from acting or even speaking out.

Though the *rodensis tyrannus* was able to disguise itself as a “reasonable” creature when it first sprung from it’s filthy holes, *rodensis tyrannus* has become so successful that it often no longer tries to maintain this deception. *Rodensis tyrannus* now thinks of itself as the dominate species in America and enforces it’s needs to pollute our once fair nation with it’s foul droppings through terrorism. When Americans such as Sammy and Vicki Weaver or the members of the Mt. Carmel Church of Waco, Texas attempt to live free from the pollution of *rodensis tyrannus’* foul droppings, they are attacked and murdered by *rodensis tyrannus*’ terrorist organizations like the BATFE.

Terrorism has cowed many Americans into cowardice silence and inaction. Americans turn on their television sets to witness an armored attack on a Church and the massacre of those inside and believe that the *rodensis tyrannus* with it’s terrorist cells are invincible against honest Americans. Instead of developing tactics to defeat this threat, cowardly Americans hide under their beds, sucking their thumbs and hoping that the vermin will be satisfied by continuing to eat out their substance and not kill or imprison them.

Stupidity is regrettably another means by
which Americans are fooled into inaction. The vermin have been running a shell game against American voters. The rodensis tyrannus has loaded the ballots with two parties. The majority of Americans voters fall into these two camps. That is either Republicon or Demonrat. Each camp of stupid American voters believe their side has the pea that will respect their privileges and allow them to live fairly more comfortably than the other side. I have repeatedly told certain Americans not to go to sleep because George W. Bush had been elected. The stupid had always replied, “Why not? He’s our man!”

These stupid sheeple have been listening to the words of the rodensis tyrannus. They are following hollow words and symbolism. Most of these stupid sheeple have no clue as to what our true form of government is or what the symbols they wave represent. They have no way to gauge what the actions of the vermin mean as opposed to it’s words. In fact, these stupid sheeple never look at the vermin’s actions.

Neo-cons and republicons are not the only idiots to think themselves Americans. Demonrats are every bit as bad, if not worse. Think about the regime of the varmint Slick Willy Clinton. Not only did this traitorous rodensis tyrannus tell the stupid demonrats that his foul droppings were meant to “limit personal freedoms”, but his actions proved it! How stupid could you be to vote for that?! There is no lesser of two evils on the ballot. There is only evil.

The neo-cons (the current rodensis tyrannus infesting our institutes) have continued clogging the avenues to the Constitution with the same foul droppings that the demonrats had. The USA PATRIOT ACT is merely an extension of Slick Willy’s crime bill. After the rodensis tyrannus blew up the federal building in Oklahoma City, the vermin fostered Slicko’s crime bill on us. When the current rodensis tyrannus flew air craft into the WTC buildings we got the USA PATRIOT ACT.

These droppings are going to continue for as long as We The People allow the vermin to continue to pollute our institutions. Sadly, the vermin have also clogged up our avenues of election with their foul droppings as well. They have rigged the ballot with the two party shell game and when real third party movements like the Constitution Party have been making waves lately, they have spewed more foul droppings into the path with rigged electronic voting machines. It is clear that real Americans are not going to be allowed an avenue to a true electoral process.

We The People are going to have to clean up this mess. It will be difficult with many Americans who do not care or who are too stupid to realize that there is an infestation. There are few honest Americans and even some of them ate too afraid to get into the game and work to start removing the rodensis tyrannus and their foul droppings from our institutions. But we will have to!

Since previous generations of Americans failed to shotgun these vermin when they first popped from their filthy holes the job of their eradication has become much more burdensome. While there is yet time, we who know better must educate others who have not seen what rests behind the clogged avenues of the rodensis tyrannus droppings. The Constitution, The Bill Of Rights, The Declaration Of Independence and the writings of the forefathers must be taught once again. Low grade morons may continue to deny the situation, but we don’t need low grade morons on our side, so that’s fine. What we need to do is wake up Americans who are still able to think critically. We need to show them the difference between our true form of constitutional government and the foul droppings of the vermin we live amongst now.

Our next step is to prepare ourselves and help with the preparation of others to resist the terrorism of rodensis tyrannus. Historically,
Americans have always put up with a lot of vermin droppings before they moved to eradicate the pests. Petitions for redress of grievance are the first tactic tried. These have already gone unanswered as groups like We The People and Judicial Watch have found their petitions blocked from lawful redresses by the piles of foul droppings of the vermin. A plea for redress of grievance is not going to be addressed by the rodensis tyrannus.

Next comes civil disobedience. Ignore the unlawful edicts that are the foul droppings of the vermin. The years before the Revolutionary War when Americans first won their liberty saw massive civil disobedience. Taxes were refused to be paid and already taxed merchandise was dumped into the harbors. At the same time Committees of Safety were formed, militias organized and arms were being secured.

The rodensis tyrannus will not voluntarily sweep out its own foul droppings from our institutions. They will not stop eating out our substance and parasitically living off of the work of honest Americans. They are not going to allow you to live your life without being intruded upon and they will not leave you alone. When civil disobedience by honest Americans begin, so will vermin terrorism. Vermin terrorism has already been witnessed as attested to above. It has many Americans frightened into cowardice. I hate to tell you this, but when vermin terrorism comes to your neighborhood, you are going to have to resist terrorism by force of arms.

I will tell you that you will not be successful at standing up to tanks or companies of regular army or national guardsmen. Make no mistake, if such troops deploy against you for exercising your Natural Rights, they are your enemies and deserve to be shot down in the streets. The problem is, they will not attack you unless they are certain that you will be completely overwhelmed. Remember, the rodensis tyrannus is a socialistic or communistic creature. As the communist Soviet empire has shown us in the past, communists need to be assured of success before risking battle. Forget any ideas about honor in battle. Vermin do not think in that capacity. There will be no single combat, no warriors facing each other in respect before plying their arts. Sides will not line up with equal numbers facing each other, using the same equipment and giving one another fair chance.

Vermin terrorism will strike without warning. Troops will arrive by surprise (probably between 2:00 AM and 4:00 AM) and en masse. They will have helicopters and tanks and a list of who they will arrest and who they will murder outright. Because you are a dropping abiding American, you might have a rifle and a few boxes of ammo at this point. Nothing of real substance to fight vermin terrorists. If you find yourself in the midst of a vermin terrorist attack run like hell to get your butt out of the line of fire. Get your family to safety or you won’t be of any good to anyone. Evade capture and remain free to tell your story.

Next is the part that really scares the rodensis tyrannus. Get with other survivors or other Americans who are fed up with swallowing vermin droppings. You know who will have ordered these terrorist attacks. Yank these vermin out of their beds, out of their houses and out of their offices, put a noose around their necks and pull them up a tree limb! Shoot vermin terrorists on their parameters and retreat into the backwoods. Help others with medical supplies, ammo and food. Anyone coming to confiscate firearms or other personal property is an enemy. In America, such acts are anathema and must never be allowed to pass uncontested. You may not be able to stop their advance or their robbery, but you can end some of their vermin scurrying lives. Shoot ‘em and run is the order of the day. Start the next war for independence and begin cleaning up your neighborhood of rodensis tyrannus droppings. Honest Americans have been suffering losses to terrorism for years. When the order of the
day is shoot ‘em and run, the order of the night will be to show the vermin that it is not only the houses of honest Americans that can be burned down. It is not only honest Americans that can be shot in their cars in the streets. And it is not only vermin that can fight dirty and strike from surprise. It will be Americans’ turn to show their enemies terror.

Stop reading for a couple of seconds and soak in those words. Literally soak them into your being. Actually feel yourself hiding in the night, scampering through a vermin’s backyard with some homemade thermite in your hands, knowing you might be spotted. Go ahead and feel some of the fear. You need to think about this and be prepared for it. If you aren’t going to save the Republic then who? Can you live under the tons of droppings these vermin spew forth? Can you allow your children to be buried in it? Who knows? I may be arrested when these words reach your mail box. Everyone connected with The Independent American may be arrested. The situation we find ourselves in today calls for the complete and full expression of First Amendment Rights before we must fully exercise our Second Amendment Rights. That means someone must write these words or speak them. Someone must tell Americans what is heading their way. We are either heading for a new war for independence or meekly accept the foul droppings of slavery for ourselves and our children for generations to come.

The *rodensis tyrannus*, or, at least the lower level variety, are afraid of this kind of war. There are those among the vermin that are unconcerned for this melee. They believe they will win. On the surface, it does appear they can loose. They have the armed forces, the atomic bomb and all of the resources built up by honest Americans. The tax monies of honest Americans are the feed of the *rodensis tyrannus*. With a nearly inexhaustible influx of tax money, the vermin can continue to bloat themselves and spew out their foul droppings. They can also build a militarized police force to guard the vermin while they nest in their foul holes that were once our institutions. Honest Americans can strike out and kill some of the vermin guards and even eradicate a few of the vermin, but if other Americans continue to feed the vermin with their tax money, honest Americans will never win freedom and liberty for the whole of the Republic.

Fighting back through civil disobedience and armed resistance will be necessary, but not enough. All of us or at least a significant portion of us must cut off the vermin from our substance. Stop the flow of tax money that serves to enslave us.

Another danger exists in our fight. It would do no good to eradicate *rodensis tyrannus* only to find that other vermin such as *dictoris despoticus* has moved into their dens and begun to clog our avenues with their own foul droppings. We will need to be ever vigilant and on guard against vermin who wish to subvert our movement to restore our Republic.

We do not need to re-invent the wheel. We have the Constitution, the Declaration Of Independence and the writings of the forefathers to guide us on our way back to freedom. Any violation of these ideas, of the principles that are our freedoms must not be tolerated. Government limited in it’s powers and a Bill Of Rights that are clearly not to be violated plus a Declaration listing abuses that must never be tolerated all add up to a formula to keep freedoms and liberty. The only thing the formula is missing is men with the guts to act to keep those freedoms and liberty. Is that formula missing you?
THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE IS OFFERED FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY! The manufacture of any explosive or primary initiator is a dangerous undertaking!

DO NOT attempt to make or use any of the compounds detailed in the following text without formal training! Injuries or loss of life is possible if accidents occur! The Independent American, it's staff and/or writers are NOT responsible for the actions of others.

Single Based Smokeless Powder Formulae Part 1

by Corcceigh Green

We have been covering the necessities of acquiring the ability for Independent Americans to manufacture their own ammunition should anti-Americans in Congress, the executive branch, bureaucrats and State or local legislatures ban or excessively tax ammunition. We began with the basic elements, then covered black powder, expedient red or white powder, primers and the components necessary before making smokeless powders. Last issue we covered the manufacture of cordite as our first entry into smokeless powder formulae. We are going to focus on single based smokeless powders with this issue.

Single based powders use only nitrocellulose or guncotton as their base ingredient. Unlike double based powders they do not use nitroglycerin as a plasticizer and nitrater. This makes single based powders somewhat safer to expediently manufacture. This does not make the manufacture of single based powders safe!!! Such manufacture is still extremely dangerous! Care MUST be taken. Nitroglycerin is apt to spontaneously explode and is possibly the most dangerous substance a person could work with. The elimination of nitroglycerin from smokeless powder formulae increases the safety of manufacture dramatically. For most Independent Americans and communities of like minded Americans single based powders will prove to be the best option.

Single based smokeless powders are most widely used as rifle propellants, though is also used for some handgun chamberings like the .44 Magnum and .357 Magnum. Examples of single based smokeless powders being used today are DuPont’s IMR powders and Accurate Arm’s XMR and SOLO powders. The most important attribute of smokeless powder that must be controlled is it’s burn rate. The burn rate of single based smokeless powders is controlled by it’s chemical composition and most especially it’s grain size and diameter.

For rifles, single based powders are more likely to be extruded, especially for .30 caliber and above cartridges. Some single based powders may be flake, ball or disk for calibers such as the .223/5.56 MM NATO, the 7.62X39 and the medium powered cartridges. For handguns and shotguns, a small diameter ball, flattened ball, disk or flake single based powder would be more efficient. These will be faster burning and more suitable for lighter bullets and spatially confined cases.

Should you find yourself in the need to experiment with grain size, remember that the larger grains burn more slowly, creating more pressure especially when pushing heavier bullets down the bore. Don’t use too large a grain size in a handgun or shotgun. You could blow up your barrel, a cylinder or chamber and slide! Don’t use too small a grain size in your rifle. You could get a blooper or damage your rifle’s throat, chamber and bolt head.

Refer to The Independent American March/April 2005 for an explanation of the components listed in this article and for suitable substitutes. When using substitutes it may be
necessary to experiment by tweaking the portions of components used. When you find the right formula or formulae for your particular community or group, do not deviate from the formula and retain as exact proportions of components in making each batch as possible. Read or re-read the preceding entries in this series of articles to know what you are working with and why. Also, follow ALL safety instructions! Maintain a clean, dry and well ventilated work area! DO NOT WORK AROUND OPEN FLAMES!!! I’m NOT KIDDING!!!

**Single based smokeless powder for rifles**

Materials required:

1. Place the nitrocellulose in the large glass mixing bowl. Measure 1/2 cup ethyl centralite in the measuring cup and slowly pour it onto the nitrocellulose. Mix the nitrocellulose and ethyl centralite together with a spatula. Set aside the large glass bowl while preparing your ether-alcohol.

2. Measure 4 cups of ether-alcohol. Pour 1 cup at a time evenly and slowly over the nitrocellulose. Warning! Work in a well ventilated room preferably with a fan powered exhaust system. DO NOT WORK AROUND OPEN FLAMES!!!!!

3. Allow 5 minutes to pass, then gently stir the nitrocellulose/ether-alcohol colloid with a substitutes.

Begin by preparing your nitrocellulose. If you remember our last article, you know that nitrocellulose should be stored moist. You will need to dry your nitrocellulose out in the same manner. Remove the nitrocellulose from it’s storage jars with wooden tongs or chopsticks. If the nitrocellulose is wet, VERY CAREFULLY, BUT GENTLY, squeeze some of the water out. If the nitrocellulose is not wet, DO NOT SQUEEZE!!! Nitrocellulose is an explosive and can be detonated through friction, pressure, flame and static discharge!!!

Place the nitrocellulose in a measuring cup and compress, NOT TOO FORCEFULLY! Measure out 6 cups. Place the 6 cups of nitrocellulose in glass jars with moistened desiccant. Place the glass jars no less than three feet from an infrared electric heater. Check the desiccant periodically. When the desiccant is dry the nitrocellulose is ready for use.

1. Place the nitrocellulose in the large glass mixing bowl. Measure 1/2 cup ethyl centralite in the measuring cup and slowly pour it onto the nitrocellulose. Mix the nitrocellulose and ethyl centralite together with a spatula. Set aside the large glass bowl while preparing your ether-alcohol.

2. Measure 4 cups of ether-alcohol. Pour 1 cup at a time evenly and slowly over the nitrocellulose. Warning! Work in a well ventilated room preferably with a fan powered exhaust system. DO NOT WORK AROUND OPEN FLAMES!!!!!!!
spatula or glass rod. Your nitrocellulose is now safe to work with, but is still VERY FLAMMABLE!

4. Set your mixer on the lowest setting and begin mixing the nitrocellulose/ether-alcohol mixture. BE certain NOT to splatter the mixture out of the bowl!

[Thoroughly mix the colloid. Work with two people. One should operate the mixer while the other operates a spatula to move the colloid mixture from the sides of the bowl, back into the area being mixed.]

Continue this operation for an hour.

5. At the end of one hour, pour 1/2 cup of acetone diphenylamine slowly into the colloid while continuing to mix. Continue to mix for another hour.

[Acetone diphenylamine is used in the rubber industry and is not regulated so Independent Americans may come by it. To manufacture acetone diphenylamine dissolve 1 part diphenylamine in 4 parts acetone. Weigh the product on a specific gravity scale. Adjust the formula until your acetone diphenylamine reaches a specific gravity of between 1.06 and 1.12. If your product has a specific gravity less than 1.06 add acetone. If it is heavier than 1.12, add diphenylamine.]

WARNING!!! diphenylamine is highly carcinogenic!!! Wear rubber gloves, hazmat suit and respirator!!! DO NOT ALLOW ANY MATERIAL TO CONTACT YOUR SKIN! TAKE SPECIAL CAUTION WHILE MIXING!

6. At the end of one hour, dissolve 2/3 cup potassium nitrate into enough ether-alcohol to form a watery paste. Slowly pour this paste into the mixture while continuing to mix. Continue to mix for one hour.

7. At the end of one hour, dissolve 2/3 cup potassium sulfate into enough ether-alcohol to form a watery paste. Slowly pour this paste into the mixture while continuing to mix. Continue to mix for one hour.

Read procedure 7 carefully! It calls for potassium SULFATE here. NOT potassium NITRATE!

8. Measure 1/5 cup dibutyl phthalate in the measuring cup. Pour the dibutyl phthalate slowly into the mixture while mixing. Continue to mix for 1/2 hour.

9. Measure 2/3 cup dinitrotoluene. Slowly pour the dinitrotoluene into the mixture while continuing to mix.

10. If your mixture is becoming pasty at this point slowly add 1/3 cup ether-alcohol while continuing to mix.

11. Repeat step 11 if mixture is still too dry. If mixture is readily workable go to step 13.

12. Continue to mix for at least 1/2 hour or longer until mixture becomes pasty.


14. Press the mixture (this is called extruding) through the holes in the press.

15. Cut off lengths of the mixture with the exacto-knife and place on cookie sheets.

16. Quickly cut the lengths to 3/25” long.

[It is necessary to cut to proper length quickly before the powder dries as the powder becomes brittle when dry.]

[Discard or store in a different location lengths of powder that are not uniform with 1/25” in length. The non-uniform lengths may be used in making explosives.]
17. Continue steps 15 to 17 until the mixture has been completely extruded.

18. Fill one rubber barrel from the rock tumbler 1/4 full with finely powdered graphite.

19. Place a layer of the extruded powder on top of this and follow with another thick layer of powdered graphite.

20. Repeat step 20 until barrel is 3/4 full.

21. Top off the barrel with finely powdered graphite and seal.

22. Place barrel on tumbling machine and start. Allow the tumbler to run for 1/2 hour.

23. After 1/2 hour stop tumbler, remove and unseal the barrel being careful not to spill the contents.

24. Poor a thin layer of the graphite and powder on a cookie sheet.

25. Winnow the contents of the cookie sheet by lightly blowing on the contents to separate the powdered graphite from the extruded powder that is now coated with graphite.

[Your powder is now coated with graphite and will be the same color. Do not touch the powder as your skin oils and salts will degrade it. If you must move the powder use tweezers or spatulas. Do not remove the graphite coating from the powder.]

26. While winnowing remove the graphite from the cookie sheet and save in coffee cans for re-use.

27. With the winnowed powder on the cookie sheet, winnow again by tossing the powder no more than a couple of inches off the sheet, then repeat steps 25 and 26. When the powder grains look uniformly smooth go to step 28.

28. Poor the powder from the cookie sheet into metal cans for storage. Place desiccant in with the powder (NOT LOOSE) and seal the metal cans.

The above is the preferred method of making smokeless powder for your high powered hunting/sniper or battle rifle. This formula will work for calibers from .30-30 to .338 Winchester Magnum. It will produce sufficient pressures to cycle semi-auto and fully auto rifles and will produce typical smokeless powder ballistics.

As you can see, your main ingredients are nitrocellulose and ether-alcohol. This is what gives the single based smokeless powder it’s ability to go bang. Without being colloided, the nitrocellulose is an unstable explosive. Ether-alcohol will colloid the nitrocellulose and control it’s burn rate to make it suitable as a propellant. This will still burn hot and fast, however. The addition of potassium nitrate, dinitrotoluene, ethyl centralite and dibutyl phthalate will control the burn rate further causing the powder to burn cooler and slower. This will cause much less wear on your rifle and give superior performance quite similar to commercial powders.

As discussed, you may not come by some of the ingredients listed. In this case substitutions are necessary. You will naturally have had to make your own nitrocellulose, so we won’t discuss that. If you’ve been following this series, you will already know what preparations you must make before you begin this project. There is no reason you shouldn’t have finely powdered graphite, potassium sulfate and potassium nitrate on hand. Ether-alcohol can be read about in the March/April issue of this magazine.

Acetone diphenylamine can be come by through the rubber industry where it is used as an anti-oxidant. It may also be purchased as a pesticide, but is regulated in this form. It is used in our formula mainly as a stabilizer. No matter how thorough you were in making your nitrocellulose, chances are slight traces of acids may be retained. As your gunpowder
is stored, heat will cause it to release those acids which will degrade your powder. The diphenylamine will counter these acids giving long life to your powder. I highly recommend you buy this component. If you cannot, substitute it with extra ethyl or methyl centralite. Add the ethyl or methyl centralite where the instructions above call for it. Try adding the measures called for of the diphenylamine. Always check for pressure after test firing and check your test rifle’s throat and bore for erosion, wear or stress. If your powder is burning too hot, it will show in the throat area. If this is the case, add more ethyl or methyl centralite to your formula.

Ethyl centralite is used mainly in our formula as a plasticizer. It helps to gelatinize the nitrocellulose which helps the ether-alcohol to colloid it. Ethyl centralite is also a stabilizer and will help to keep your powder from degrading. If you can’t find ethyl centralite, methyl centralite will work as well. Purchase these substances as a pesticide drench for fruit trees.

Dibutyl phthalate is utilized in our formula as a deterrent. It helps to control the burn rate of the powder. It also helps to keep the grains from becoming so brittle upon drying that they shatter during the loading process. Dibutyl phthalate is easily substituted with diethyl phthalate. Diethyl phthalate is easy to come by through the health industry where it is used to denature alcohol.

Dinitrotoluene is the hardest substance that Independent Americans will come by. It is used as a deterrent and helps to control the rate of burn and helps the powder to burn more coolly, extending the life of the firearm. If you can obtain this substance, do so. If you cannot, vinsol resin (See The Independent American March/April 2005) is an adequate substitute. You will need to increase the mixing time of step 12 by at least double and you MUST mix the vinsol resin into the formula evenly and completely. Use the same measure of vinsol resin as you would for dinitrotoluene.

Diethyl phthalate is another substitute for dinitrotoluene that is easily obtainable by Independent Americans. When substituting diethyl phthalate for dinitrotoluene in step 9 use 1 full cup of diethyl phthalate. Also increase the amount of potassium nitrate in step 6 to 1 full cup.

The above powder will conform to Accurate Arms XMR and DuPont IMR powders. When tweaking the formula for the best performance for your rifle adjust the amount of deterrent used to create faster and slower burning powders. For lighter bullets in less powerful cartridges like the .30-30, use less deterrent. Add as little as 1/3 cup potassium nitrate or 1/2 cup potassium nitrate and 1/2 cup dinitrotoluene.

Grain size is another factor. Smaller grain sizes will burn faster as larger grains have more surface area which slows the burn.

When loading ammunition, choose loading data from an XMR or IMR powder. Choose the data with the lowest minimum loading and begin safety tests with this. Pay attention to bullet weight as well.

Always test fire your ammunition in a bolt action rifle with strong action and over a chronograph. Check the cases for pressure and the barrel for a stuck bullet or excessive wear. Also check the throat area and bolt face for excessive wear.

We will continue this article on single based smokeless powder in the next issue with formulae for medium powered cartridges.
by Corcceigh Green

It is that time of year again. July and August are upon us and it is a time of fireworks, picnics and celebrations. As it should be. We are celebrating American Independence. - or so most Americans believe. Our forefathers, through much adversity and hardship and with the inspiration of God, created a form of government very limited in scope and power. Americans of the period knew well the evils that is always brought forth by powerful central governments. The founders created several documents to define what functions governments are allowed to perform and the abuses which call for government’s abolishment. Our forefathers created a Constitution that clearly defined the function of government. Government has absolutely NO authority to perform any act not granted to it by our Constitution for these united States of America. This was intended purposefully to guarantee that individual freedom and liberty be maintained and government intrusion into private lives would not happen.

Unfortunately, there have been many changes in the way Americans think and the way government operates. Today, government has fostered an alien concept upon Americans. A concept of government intrusion into and control over the lives of private individuals. This alien conception of government can be summed up in the 10 planks of communism. They are related as such:

1. Abolition of private property.
Do you own property? Why are you paying government for the privilege of remaining in your house or keeping the title to your land? If you can’t afford the property taxes do you think the bureaucrats will understand? Maybe they will, but they’ll steal “your” property anyway.

2. Heavy progressive income tax.
Any who files a 1040 will attest to this goat screw.

3. Abolition of all rights on inheritance.
Inheritance taxes, death taxes, gift taxes. All are very prohibitive and severely restrict the passing of property from parent to offspring.

4. Confiscation of property of all emigrants and rebels.
What private property? You don’t own your real property. You don’t even own your car. It must be licensed and registered and if there is something about it your government doesn’t like, they won’t issue you license plates and tags. You can be searched for any pretense and if the cops violating your Fourth Amendment Rights find something you own that is valuable, they can claim that it may have been involved with drugs and steal it. It’s called the RICO laws.

5. Central bank.
Since adopting a central bank against the advise of Thomas Jefferson and most of our founding fathers, our money has been replaced by paper certificates redeemable by gold or silver. After some time, those certificates were replaced by federal reserve notes redeemable for nothing at all. As a result Americans no longer even have money.

6. Government control of Communications & Transportation.
Try as they might, and they have, government...
has attempted to control information. They have their own propaganda arm (the mainstream media) and the FCC which attempts to control who may obtain a broadcast license. Fortunately, Americans can be quite clever and alternative medias through independent newspapers, newsletters, the internet and this magazine, as well as shortwave radio broadcasts exists. They are failing in this area, but they will continue to try and may in the future require licenses for journalistic endeavors.

Control of transportation is already a done deal. They own all modern means of transport. They own your car and they control the roads and highways. They regulate what may be shipped and how it may be shipped.

7. Government ownership of factories and agriculture.
This is also a done deal. It’s called zoning laws. Government control of wet lands on private property. Farm subsidies that allow government to dictate what farmers may or may not grow. OSHA regulations which dictate factory safety rules. (Some of these are good rules of safety, however, some are merely restrictive and unnecessary.) All of these rules help to restrict land and factory use.

8. Government control of labor.
Socialist Security regulations, OSHA regulations and taxes to rob Americans’ paychecks all add up to longer hours and harder work to make a living. Zoning laws keep individuals from using their land to earn a living.

9. Corporate farms, regional planning.
The collapse of the family farm was brought about by a planned con game. Banks lent FRNs to family farmers to buy equipment at low, but adjustable interest rates, then when many farmers were conned into taking out a loan, interests rates were adjusted upward above what borrowers could pay. Family farms collapsed and corporations bought the farms on foreclosure auctions. This forced a good many family farms and millions of acres out of the hands of individuals and into the hands of corporations.

Regional planning is in full effect. The wet lands act and river heritage projects control how land may be used.

This is also in full effect through the NEA and goals 2000. School districts will accept government curriculum or funding will be withheld.

Compare the above 10 planks of communism with our Bill Of Rights which our forefathers intended to guarantee that government would not interfere with our Natural Rights.

Article [I.]
Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Article [II.]
A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Article [III.]
No Soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the Owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Article [IV.]
The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.
Article [V.]
No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

Hey people! The above written articles are enumerations of our Natural Rights! These are Natural Rights that no government has any business interfering with! These enumerations were included to guarantee that We the People could live freely without the interference of communists!

Our forefathers further wrote that the violations of our Natural Rights are abuses of government that no people need put up with. This is from The Declaration Of Independence.

That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness.

Further, there exists a list of a long train of abuses which when perpetrated call for the abolishment of the offending government and the institution of new government. The Declaration Of Independence lists such abuses:

The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

When our enumerated Rights are violated or when our non-enumerated Rights are violated it is our duty and Right to rise up and abolish the offending violators and elect new representatives to govern properly.

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Today, constitutional laws are ignored and despotic statutes are enforced.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained, and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

It is federal policy to allow the borders to remain open and to suspend in operation our laws of immigration.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only.

Today, you must attest that you are a 14th amendment citizen, a type of corporate entity without Rights, if you wish to participate in voting or traveling in a car or many of the other thing you have a Right to. This is otherwise known as a US citizen as opposed to a sovereign Citizen or natural man.

He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.

In Idaho the state legislature, actually a federal corporate entity, has dissolved the power of the County sheriffs to convene common law courts. I imagine this is the same in other states.

He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the meantime exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within.

The federal government has refused to secure our borders. When a constitutional militia like the Arizona Minutemen assumes the duty, the president campaigns to demonize them in the propaganda arm for future action. In the meantime, he allows the situation of an invasion to continue on our southern border. Our common law courts cannot be of comfort to the people as they have been unlawfully dissolved.

He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

There are laws for naturalization of Citizens, however those laws are being ignored in favor of an invasive force of foreigners bent on a “re-conquista” of large portions of our country.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers.

This is rampant today. Obstruction of justice is also being perpetrated by government by refusing to enforce constitutional laws, while enforcing statutes which violate Natural Rights.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.

This is also rampant today.

He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our people, and eat out their substance.

BATFE, FBI, IRS, Social Security Administration and countless other bureaucracies speak to this.

He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies, without the consent of our legislatures.

Today armies and funds are raised and pseudo-wars declared without the consent of Congress to whom duty this falls.
He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power.

Today, the police forces of local municipalities have been federalized and militarized and instructed to violate Natural Rights.

He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:
For protecting them by a mock Trial from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:
No one has been punished for the murders of Vicki and Sammy Weaver or the members of the Mt. Carmel Church of Waco, Texas.

For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world:

For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:
The 16th amendment was never lawfully ratified. Redress of this grievance has been abrogated.

For depriving us in many cases of the benefits of Trial by Jury:
Hari Heath was repeatedly denied his Right to a trial by jury. So had Diane Lupi. After being found not guilty by a jury, a judge sentenced the surviving members of the Mt. Carmel Church of Waco, Texas to a number of years in prison without lawful authority.

For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences:
Through a traitorous treaty, US citizens may be charged for foreign crimes and tried in a world court based overseas.

For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies:
Today, government has abolished the free system of American Laws and established an arbitrary corporate government introducing absolute rule of federal edict into the several States.

For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:
This couldn’t describe the situation today any better!

For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.
The executive branch has usurped the power of Congress, our legislature, by declaring executive orders and usurping the power to declare war and raise funding for the armed forces.

He has abdicated Government here by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.
Those of us who have declared our Natural Rights and stand on our Constitution have been declared “terrorists” and “extremists” and may unlawfully be declared “enemy combatants” and outside the guaranteed protection of our Natural Rights. Wars have been declared on terrorism and drugs which have had the effect of unlawfully depriving Americans of their Natural Rights and waging war against those of us who refuse to relinquish our Rights.

He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.
Ruby Ridge, Waco, Texas and Gordon Kahl.

He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to complete the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of cruelty and perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.
If government’s police force and military can’t handle us, UN troops will be brought in.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

Government has compelled many to become informants to the cause of tyranny as it had tried with coercion against Randy Weaver.

He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions.

Government has perpetrated terrorist incidents including the Oklahoma City bombing and the WTC attacks while pointing the blame to Muslim extremists without evidence, thus causing war and destruction where none would naturally have occurred.

In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms. Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince, whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

Redresses have been attempted by Bob Shulz, We The People organization, the 9-11 Truth Commission, Judicial Watch and others. None have been addressed.

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We in the Patriotic and pro-Constitution movements have been attempting to awaken our American brethren for many decades.

We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us.

And themselves.

We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here.

Our forefathers fled this kind of tyranny and put up with far less before they found it necessary to fight a war.

If we hold our freedoms dear, we will need to give our founding documents more than lip service. Do you know what your freedoms are? Can you tell your children why our government is meant to be limited? Today, we must be fully educated in the face of growing government tyranny. We need to read the documents of our founding fathers. They are the foundations of our country. Politicians may claim that ours is still the best country on earth and the freest, but what does that mean when you are told you may no longer exercise your 4th Amendment Rights or your 2nd or your 1st or your 5th, 6th, 7th or 8th. They are all being violated. If government indeed is allowed to usurp the power to move to restrict personal freedoms, how can we say that we are a free people living in a free country.

Americans must obtain copies of The Declaration Of Independence, our Constitution for these united States of America and The Federalist Papers. Study them and know what they say. Should we need to abolish the corrupt government we find ourselves under, we will need to retain our freedoms through the re-institution of our founding documents.

Of course, documents are just that. They are only paper. They convey to us the ideas of freedom and liberty and can show us how to retain our freedoms. It is up to us, We the People, to act to preserve those ideas. Let’s start by the education of the greater part of the public. If it comes to force of arms after that, then we must be ready for that as well.

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Hi all, Doug P. Bell here. Lots going on so let's get to it!

Resistance. Thomas Jefferson said that resistance to tyranny is obedience to God. But what sort of resistance do you want to get involved in? Passive? Active? Leaderless? Part of a movement to change something or tear the whole system down? Since the current government/court system is completely corrupt and on its last legs anyway, any change will likely destroy the current system and it will not go down in flames quietly.

Henry David Thoreau wrote "WALDEN" about peaceful (passive) civil disobedience, but will that work today? With over one third of the current population in the USSA having prison records, and more prisoners than any other country in the world (call your local library information desk and ask, facts are not hard to check) including the former USSR, the USSA is far more likely to imprison or kill you (don't believe it? Ask Vickie or Sammy Weaver or David Koresh or any of the other 92 people at Waco, Texas. Oh that's right, you can't, they were murdered by government thugs!) than let you get away with standing up to their bullying.

So as long as you are going to get Wacoed anyway, why not active resistance? But again, against what or who? Well a lot of you are planning to survive an eCONomic collapse (with the bird flu predicted to kill up to 20% of the human population and who knows how many birds, disrupting not only the human food supply, no chickens, no ducks, no turkeys, but also the food supply of uncounted animals, and what about all the things the birds keep in line?) the world eCONomy will collapse in days as hospitals are swamped, ships turned away, planes grounded. Worried about famine? Again, with no birds the meat supply will be slashed and with no birds to keep the insects under control things will really go to hell in a hand basket!

However I am a bit, how shall I put this? Less than overwhelmed at the idea of bird flu. Why? Well remember swine flu? The only people to die from that were the poor fools who got vaccinated. West Nile? Dire predictions and so far there have been two deaths in Iowa from it. SARS? Haven't heard of that lately. Anthrax? That seems to have dropped of the map completely except for the TV mysteries that need a new/old villain after running the others into the ground. Comet? Nothing I can do about that no matter where I am! Drought? The Gulf Stream cooling? The list of fears that will never happen, that I can do nothing about, even if they do happen, is endless, so I don't waste a lot of time worrying about them.

So what am I really concerned about? The government. What government? Which government? Any of them! Whatever/which ever government you got is the one that will kill you. Don't believe it? Look at history! The current government in power, at any given time, has killed more of their own people than any invader (with the possible exception of Genghis Khan) ever dreamed of. Russia (USSR) killed probably 50 million people from 1917 to 1945 and at least 20
million Soviet Georgians after WWII, but you never hear about that. Pol Pot killed millions, a HUGE percentage of the population there, and not a peep now. Turkey murdered millions, Red China murdered so many of it's population after Mao took over that to name a figure would stun you and would still be too small.

Look at the list of things the current government of the USSA gets involved in. Because California had a drought several years ago, I can no longer put the type of toilet in my house I want. That's right, the Federal Government tells me what toilet I can and can't have! Look at the list of laws that can get violated at any time. Ever put your pills in one of those weekly planner pill boxes? Illegal! Ever type your socialist insecurity card number (which states right on the card "NOT TO BE USED FOR AN ID NUMBER") and get it wrong? Illegal! Ever say "Buckle up, it's the law!"? Illegal! The list is endless and the sheeple have no idea they are breaking a dozen laws a day without even trying. Obey one law and break another. It is literally impossible to NOT break a law in the USSA at this time.

Want to harass some poor SOB? Call the government! Their grass is too long! The radio/TV too loud! Their kids are abused! File hate charges! Once you start looking at local, county, state and federal legal means to screw over someone's life, you will never lack for legal fun. Hey and guess what? When they finally get tired of it and shoot/stab/run over you, well that's illegal too and you can charge them for that!

Or file junk lawsuits for every little thing. Sure you will spend a lot of time in court, but so will your victim, plus it will screw up their life. OK, so you may have to pay a few legal bills for them if you lose, but how many people will let it go that far? Better to settle out of court than take a chance the corrupt legal system in this country will get their claws in you! Plus it is perfectly legal.

For example, I was evicted from my own home because of harassment by a violent black criminal using the government. Seems I caught him trespassing on my property AGAIN, called the cops, AGAIN, but this time they told him he would be arrested after TWELVE YEARS of trespassing, destroying, throwing garbage on my property. Well that is racism! So he is suing the city, po-LICE, and me because he was allowed to do pretty much whatever he wanted to/on my property and the po-lice did nothing. So the city, to show THEY aren't racist, threw me out of MY rented house "because it is messy".

Really.

Well sure that would have fit perfectly under the TEOTWAWKI issue, but happened just last month, on May 20, 2005. Plus you will QUICKLY find out who your friends are, and are not! Sure some had good reasons for not letting me sleep on the floor, in the garage, in the spare room, but others who were always saying, "if anything happens you can always rely on me!" were the first to bail. My "best" friend who was going to break the lease to move, until I convinced him to talk to the landlord who was more than happy to let him out of the lease when he wanted to leave, said "You can't stay here!" when I told him I was evicted. Why? Well he didn't want to offend the landlord who he was going to walk out on. "I'll think about it and get back to you tomorrow" from a guy who kept offering help and has a two and a half car garage that has one car in it and sits empty six months a year when I asked about renting some room in it to store some stuff. The list just keeps going and going.

Finally one guy offered to let me sleep on his floor. That was fine, until the "I need X amount of money for this, that, whatever", like the "I have a drunk driving fine and need $110." OK, I go and pay his $110 fine because he is "broke", and he buys $80 gym shoes the next day! He needs $100, then $75, then $115, "because he is broke", but seems to have plenty of money to get a new cell
phone ($70), buy a couple pounds of beef jerky (at $17 a pound!), buy beer by the case, then "needs money to pay the house payment, because he is broke". I told him I already paid $400 to help him out, and now I'M broke! He keeps me awake until midnight, then gets up at 3 AM and turns the radio on full blast while yelling "Hey Doug! Doug! DOUG! Did you hear that joke they told on the radio?" "YES! THE RADIO IS FIVE FEET FROM ME, IT'S TURNED ON FULL BLAST AND THE WINDOWS ARE RATTLING! I NEED TO SLEEP! I'VE GOT TO GET UP AND GO TO WORK IN THE MORNING!" I've told him (repeatedly) that I need to sleep at night, I can't sleep during the day time like he does, from 8 AM till noon when he gets up to get something to eat, then back to bed at one till four, I've got to work. Now that he figures that $400 is my limit, I should pay $400 a month for the privilege of sleeping on the floor and getting woke up at 3 AM!

Ain't life grand. Keep your powder dry, buy ammo, don't let the scum get away alive.

Norman Thomas,
US Presidential Candidate

"The American people will never knowingly adopt Socialism. But under the name of "liberalism" they will adopt every fragment of the Socialist program until one day America will be a Socialist nation, without knowing how it happened."

He and Gus Hall, the U.S. communist party candidate both quit American politics agreeing that the Republican and Democratic parties by 1970 had adopted every plank of the communist/socialist party and they no longer had an alternative party platform on which to run.

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Live Free Or Die

How Untraceable Phone Calls Are Made
By Tom from New England

In the course of resistance operations, whether it involves fighting corruption in the present, or a totalitarian "New World Order" in the future, the ability to make untraceable phone calls is an important tool in the independent American's bag of tricks. The present state of the phone network in this country gives anyone who wants to pay for it the ability to know who is calling them before they even pick up the phone. The service is known as "Caller ID", and it is a watered-down version of what is available to phone companies and government agencies. Try this experiment: Dial the phone code for Caller ID blocking in your area (it's usually *67), and then dial 1-800-444-4444. That is called ANI, or Automatic Number Identification, and as you see, the consumer grade "anonymous calling" does not work against it.

The ability to make a totally untraceable phone call is only available if one has access to phone company switching equipment or computers. While it might be possible for a skilled computer "hacker", or a phone company employee with the right access to accomplish such a feat, it is beyond the means of the average independent American. The next best thing would be to make a phone call that would be "traced" out to a dead-end. I used the term "trace" only figuratively, as by now you realize, especially after calling that 800 number, that phone calls are no longer "traced". A called party knows who is calling them before they even pick up the phone.

Although they are becoming increasingly rare in some areas, there is always the humble pay phone. Some also still allow for incoming calls into the payphone, which can be useful if you need an untraceable number for someone to call you at. A payphone is a fixed location, however. Call something governmental, and depending on the agency and circumstances they might send someone out to the phone's location in a matter of a few minutes.

The classic method of clipping onto a convenient phone line somewhere to make a few calls is an old and well-known technique, even among survivalists who are not technically inclined for the most part. I once talked with a Special Forces soldier who acquired a butt set from a friend who worked for the Phone Company, and kept it in his rucksack. He told me that he was always able to hook in somewhere and get a dial tone, no matter where in the world he was deployed. For a while, there were ads in Soldier of Fortune and other adventure/survival magazines from companies selling "adventurer telephones" which were nothing more than a lineman's butt set. These days you can buy a butt set starting at $100 for a basic model from any number of places, including home improvement centers such as Home Depot and Lowes. I bought my last one, a nice Dracon TS-21 in mint condition, off the Internet for $60. Now I know of one individual who pulled his car up to a phone "can" on the side of the road, and ran a length of phone cable from the can into his car to make a few "free" phone calls. A local police cruiser pulled up behind what the officer surely thought was a disabled vehicle on the side of the road, until he walked up to the vehicle and saw (in plain sight) what was really going on.

Wireless phone service has come a long way. I can recall when wireless phones operated on a handful of channels in the 150 and 450 MHz. land mobile radio bands, and the cost of
service was such that only lawyers, doctors, and politicians could afford it. Today we have cellular, PCS, and Nextel services all competing with one another for your business. It seems that everyone is walking around with a handheld phone attached to their body. The services I will be specifically mentioning are the "prepaid" wireless phone services such as Virgin Mobile, Tracfone, and Boost. Virgin Mobile operates on the Sprint PCS network. Tracfone uses various 800 MHz cellular carriers across the country. Boost is on the Nextel network. The prepaid services cost more than their contract-based counterparts, but can be set up so as to be anonymous since no credit or identity checks are done.

The way they work is that you purchase the phone outright at a cost starting around $70. You then purchase airtime cards for a certain amount of minutes of call time. That card has a PIN number on it. You then either call the service's customer service line or browse their web site where you enter in your phone's information and the PIN number of the airtime card to activate the phone and add prepaid minutes. Most prepaid phone services also offer voice mail so you can receive messages from callers when your phone is turned off or not in a service area.

Now due to the way wireless phone systems are configured, it is possible to determine the general location of a wireless phone. As you drive around you will be switching from cell site to cell site, and system engineers have already figured out the coverage area of each site. Some sites are directional ("sectored" sites). How far they are willing to go depends on how much of a flag you've raised. Just ask Kevin Mitnick.

Now I have mentioned prepaid calling cards in previous articles. Go purchase a few different brands from a nearby convenience store, and call a friend who has Caller ID. See what number comes up on your friend's caller ID display. Some prepaid calling card services do not pass the number you are calling from to the party you are calling. Of course since you are calling the service through an 800 number, the prepaid calling service knows where you are calling from, and the right entities could get that information from them.

Finally we get to some technological aids. In the movie Pump Up the Volume, the protagonist played by Christian Slater used a cordless phone hooked up to a neighbor's phone line to avoid being traced. Some cordless phones offer a thousand-foot range from their base station. They use "wall wart" DC power supplies that could be replaced with batteries of the appropriate voltage level. There is also a device called a "cheesebox" that can be attached to two phone lines, letting you call into the first line and call out from the second. Plans for this device are available on the Internet in the online publication IIRG [www.iirg.net] Technical Journal. A Goggle search should enable you to find it.

"Patriotism means to stand by the country. It does not mean to stand by the president or any other public official save exactly to the degree in which he himself stands by the country. It is patriotic to support him insofar as he efficiently serves the country. It is unpatriotic not to oppose him to the exact extent that by inefficiency or otherwise he fails in his duty to stand by the country. In either event, it is unpatriotic not to tell the truth whether about the president or anyone else-save in the rare cases where this would make known to the enemy information of military value which would otherwise be unknown to him."
- Theodor Roosevelt-
Basic Plant Gathering Safety
by Corcceigh Green

A lot has been written in these pages on the benefits and uses of the plants growing around us. Every survivalist and homesteader knows that a front lawn grown without chemical dependence in weed control can provide an enormous resource of food. Any wild meadow or field has the same potential. To make use of that potential, Independent Americans need to know everything possible about plants. What is growing around them, the plants growing wild in their immediate area and the extended area of their State and region. With the knowledge of edible, medicinal and otherwise useful plants in your region you will be taking advantage of one of the most tremendous resources God gave us.

Taking advantage of this valuable resource, however, isn’t always that easy. For the beginner, safety is a large factor. Care must be taken to properly identify useable plants and knowledge of which parts of that plant that are useable is necessary. A case in point is the poke weed. This plant grows to two or three feet in height and produces large, broad leaves. When young, these leaves are tender and can be made edible, but unless you know how to prepare the leaves they are toxic. The rest of the plant is also toxic. The leaves are rich in vitamins, are a spring tonic and an excellent source of nutrition. By boiling the leaves for several minutes, then changing the water and repeating the process three times, the leaves are made safe to eat.

Other plants are extremely useful as medicines such as foxglove which contain sufficient quantities of digitalis to help a deficient heart --- or to kill depending on how the medicinal plant is prepared. Furthermore, even when the second year leaves of foxglove are properly prepared, the effects are cumulative. A dosage that may not seem to be effective at first can suddenly take effect simultaneously with every dose taken within the span of months with toxic and deadly effects!

The foxglove can be utilized medicinally, but unless professionally prepared, it’s accumulative effects are quite deadly.

Many plants may be growing in your lawn or meadows and fields near your home. How well do you know them? Do you know how they are prepared or used? Which are the edible portions and which parts may be toxic? The beginner should start by collecting, preparing and eating plants that are...
completely safe. Examples of plants that are completely safe are the dandelion, plantain, blackberries and the such. No part of these plants are poisonous and may be eaten raw. They are also easily identified and do not resemble other poisonous plants.

Plant identification is very important as well as knowing how to prepare the plant and which parts of your plants are edible. Begin your education with an experienced forager and a good field guide or two. Many field guides show good color photos of plants. Unfortunately, many a field guide’s photos are of mature plants. Often plants are collected in the spring for their younger, tender leaves and do not always resemble their mature photos. Try to find a good field guide that includes photos of subject plants throughout their growth period. An experienced forager is also quite handy for this purpose. The experienced forager will know the plants of the area well and will identify them at every stage of their growth and when to pick them, what parts to use and how to prepare them.

Young yarrow just beginning to sprout looks like small ferns. After viewing mature photos of yarrow could you identify the plant at this stage of growth?

Check into your local library for plant recognition field guides. You will also want to own several of these, so when you find some good ones at your library, buy the titles through e bay, amazon or Barnes and Nobel and used book stores.

When beginning, pick only those plant that you have positively identified and know how to prepare. Your experienced forager will help in this regards as well.

Once you are able to identify plants growing in your region, don’t quit your education. Continue to learn about the plants growing throughout America and even the world. Who knows where you’ll be in the next few years? Being able to forage wherever it is you find yourself is a worthwhile survival skill.

Identification of edible and medicinal plants as well as learning to avoid the more harmful plants like poison ivy is very important. It is not, however, the only hazards to be aware of. Pay careful attention to the ground your plants are growing in. Plants get all of their nutrition from what is in the soil. This should be clean water, minerals and natural phosphates and fertilizers. Unfortunately, this isn’t always the case.

The ground has been the repository for many types of waste produced by industry and just plain living. These wastes can be toxic like petroleum products, heavy metals, hospital wastes and even nuclear contaminates. Plants take these into their structures through the soil while growing and may pass them on to you when you eat them. This is true especially of some nuclear contaminates like radioactive iodine which is highly absorbable into the plant’s cellular structure. Plant growing on ground that has had a gasoline or oil spill on it will bring carcinogens into its cellular structure through its roots. It is important to look over the ground you are foraging on. Do not forage near a nuclear power plant, mine or land that has or had a gas station on it. Also be certain of inner city and suburban abandoned lots before foraging there.

Plants growing along roadsides, airfields and highways should also be avoided. Plants growing in these areas are constantly contaminated by engine exhaust. The infamous fuel additive MTBE soaks into the skins of fruit, into the leaves and stems of
plants and their seeds and into the roots of plants. From the roots of plants, MTBE will find it’s way throughout the plant and into it’s cellular structure. MTBE is a super carcinogen! This contaminate will hurt you and your family. Foraging among roadsides and other areas where engine exhaust is prevalent is not a good idea. This also makes a lot of areas with urban settings suspect, so choose your foraging areas with care.

Due to other contaminates like heavy metals, mercury, lead and cyanide, do not forage near an open pit mine or near old mine tailings. Old mine operations would use mercury to separate heavier ores from lighter ores. Cyanide was used to bond with certain ores to remove them from other minerals. Lead is a common contaminate in all mine operations.

Also avoid refuse sights and the area around them. People throw away everything. There are plastics, cadmium batteries, and used household fixtures like rugs that are chemically manufactured and break down into some very toxic elements.

Beside these obvious hazards, there is another consideration when looking over your foraging ground. Consider this true story. “John” and “Marsha” were out gathering wild lettuce during a nice day this spring. They found a good quantity and picked themselves enough for a dinner’s salad. They enjoyed the salad, but that night they spent all night driving the porcelain bus and heaving all of their wild salad back up the way it went down. They doubted they had found lettuce at all, but must have gotten something else that didn’t agree with being eaten by humans.

I looked over what they had found and where they got it. It was lettuce alright. Some good, tender specimens, but I knew better than to eat them after what “John” and “Marsha” had been through. I looked the terrain over and began to see the problem. The area my friends picked their lettuce at was a lightly wooded meadow. It sported a narrow V shaped, but shallow gulch which flooded the meadow during rain and the early spring melt. Looking closer, I also found cattle sign. Not just hoof prints, but lot’s of cow pies and wallows.

The melt and the flooding of the meadow had spread cow pie silt all over the meadow and the plants growing therein. The meadow was still marshy, so bacteria would still be growing among the silt on the leaves. “John” and “Marsha” should have looked the meadow over a little better and moved on to another location. If you must use plants foraged in a location biologically contaminated as this meadow was wash your plants very well. Use an anti-bacterial food cleanser and do not just run water over the leaves in a colander! Make certain each leaf has been cleaned and washed.

This is just a small primer on foraging safety. It is important for Independent Americans and survivalists to have the ability to forage and make use of wild plants. Supplementing your home grown and storage food through foraging safely must be learned. Knowledge of those plants are an important first step in keeping safe from accidents. Knowledge about the plants’ environment and pollutants that may be present is the next step. Learning takes experience and that is what you must do now. It is time to apply your knowledge or you will gain no skill. Happy foraging.

"As long as a hundred of us remain alive, we will never be subject to tyranical dominion, because it is not for glory or riches or honors that we fight, but for freedom alone, which no worthy man loses except with his life."

-Scottish quote, Author unknown-
Every gun enthusiast should know that every single firearm has its preference for one type, kind, or brand of ammunition over all others. And, some people believe that a gun must be "broken in" in order for it to shoot well. Some centerfire rifles have a barrel life of less than 1,000 rounds and others will continue to shoot acceptable groups after 3,000 rounds or so. The little .22 caliber rifles, however, will last several lifetimes of shooting with the low pressure, relatively slow .22 lead and copper plated bullets. Though not a rifle, I have a Ruger Super Single Six purchased in 1970 that has over 100,000 rounds out the spout and shoots better today than when it was new! I guess you could say that the barrel has been sufficiently broken in!

In order to prove that a .22 rifle barrel has preferences of ammunition, I took my Ruger 10/22 with the Butler Creek target barrel in the Hogue rubber target stock out to the range a few weeks back. What I found was really no surprise to me in that it only validated what I had come to know as being true over years of shooting experience with dozens of .22 rifles. The .22 rifle barrel must be "broken in", so to speak, with every change of ammunition in order for the first few shots to "season" the bore so that subsequent rounds will be more accurate when fired from the rifle.

It was decided that I’d use most of the various brands of ammunition that I had on hand to test my already believed premise mentioned above. For the testing, I used the following brands and types of .22 Long Rifle ammunition:
1. CCI Gold Dot Hollowpoint
2. CCI Round-nosed Copper-plated 40 grain solids
3. CCI Stingers
4. Federal Long Rifle Hollowpoints bought in the 550 round bulk packs
5. Remington Long Rifle Hollowpoints bought in the 550 round bulk packs
6. Remington Target lead solids
7. Peters Long Rifle lead solids
8. Federal Power Flite lead solids (these were about 15 years old)
9. Remington Long Rifle Hollowpoint Game Loads
10. Winchester Long Rifle Power Point Hollowpoints

Time did not permit the use of other brands and types of long rifle ammo, but the following results would no doubt prove to be true with any other brands of ammunition as well.

All shooting was done at 50 yards from a benchrest and the day was bright and clear with practically no wind to interfere with the bullet trajectory or flight. The 10/22 still has the original trigger group from Ruger and the trigger pull is fairly heavy, but manageable. It should be noted, however, that it is my belief that groups could be smaller had the trigger pull been less than the factory level on the rifle. The rifle bore had been previously cleaned and was spotless as the clean patches pushed through the bore indicated. It should be noted here that many people including competition rifle shooters who use the .22 rimfire for shooting do not recommend cleaning the bore of the .22 rifle once it is "seasoned" or broken in with the preferred ammunition brand. Still, I like to clean all of my firearms inside and out including the bore after a shooting session. With these factors in mind, I will now give the resulting groups fared with each of the above given ammunition types and brands. The first group measurement will be the first five shots from that ammunition and the second group size given will be for the second five shots from that brand of ammunition. I did not clean the
bore during any of the shooting and this is the aim, but did move on the target from one

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only caveat given in the figures below:

As can be seen by the chart above, the rifle seemed to “settle down” or “settle in” with its new brand of ammo after about five shots and shoot much smaller groups with the second five shots from the new ammunition. It may be that the shots would have settled in with only a couple of rounds or three and given me the same results, but I chose to go with the five shot differential for my shooting.

So, what does all this prove? For one thing, the rifle barrel in my Ruger Target 10/22 prefers some fouling shots with the ammunition that it will be digesting prior to serious target work or hunting. Accuracy is definitely affected for at least a few shots after changing brands of ammunition even if the new ammunition will eventually shoot to the same point of aim as other brands. As a side note, all brands shot to basically the same point of brand to the other. This simply means that once you have found your best ammunition for your rifle (or handgun), stick with it for your serious shooting chores. That way, you will be certain that there will be no point of impact change to reckon with but will shoot exactly where you want the bullet to strike.

Once I do decide which of the above brands and types of ammunition to use in the rifle, I will probably do little extensive cleaning of the rifle’s bore, but will simply swab the bore with some BreakFree and clean patches. Then, I will fire at least five shots through the rifle prior to any target work or hunting for small game. That way, I will know exactly where the shots will impact on the target whether target shooting or hunting. As is the case with all my .22 rifles, the bullet impact will be dead-on at 50 yards. This
guarantees that from 25 to 65 yards or so, all I need to do is hold the crosshairs directly on the target or the vitals of the small game that I’m hunting.

Yes, the bores of firearms, especially rifles do prefer one or two brands and types of ammunition over others. But, as the above proves, to at least my satisfaction, there is a break-in time needed for the bore to become acclimated to the ammunition being fed into it. I did not experiment with the various lubricant affects on the shooting in the Ruger, but perhaps will do that as time goes by. That is, some of the bullets were wax coated and some were copper plated and some of the copper plated bullets were wax coated after plating. I am no expert as to .22 rounds and their lubricant types, but no doubt these also have an effect on the conditioning of the bore for shooting purposes. As with all firearm shooting, there are probably too many variables to figure them all out. Hopefully, what has been presented here will at least be thought provoking enough for you to do some serious experimentation and lots of shooting.

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Notes From All Over
by Doug and Cathy Joury

A Low Crime Area...

Two years ago there was a fire in the trailer court where we live and four people died, two adults and two small children. They were murdered in their sleep. The two men accused of the murder were tried and convicted and sent to prison.

It had been building up for years. We saw it coming and knew that eventually something would happen. My wife, Cathy, and I had called the police dozens of times over a period of months prior to the tragedy, but they wouldn’t listen. We would call the police and they would come down and knock on doors, but it didn’t do any good. After the first half dozen times, they knew the address by heart.

We watched the community fall apart over the years. The owners were indifferent. You could do anything you wanted to almost anybody and the managers wouldn’t do a thing. They had a few personal friends who were off limits—they could get away with ANYTHING. The one thing that was anathema was not paying the rent. Money was king; but, what’s new? We were the squeaky wheels, the cranks. Stay away from those people...they’ll call the cops on ya.

Cathy was up late on the night of the fire. At 1:47 in the morning she heard an explosion. She grabbed the cordless phone and ran out the door. She called 911 and they said they knew about the fire. The 911 operator told her to wake anybody inside our trailer and get dressed in case we had to evacuate the trailer court.

After she woke me up, she went back outside and watched the fire. A dozen Mexicans, mostly teenagers, were climbing the wire fence edging the trailer court and running off into the darkness. The trailer closest to the fire was occupied, and the trailer beside ours was empty. We had reported seeing lights inside the empty trailer to the managers and were aware that someone had been sleeping in it. When the fire broke out, the trailers nearby emptied.

Within minutes the police and fire trucks arrived and firefighters were busy with the blaze. Police officers were standing nearby, asking questions. The fire lasted most of the night. In the morning the entire area had been marked with yellow “crime scene” tape and a guard was posted at the entrance to the street. The fire had died down to smoking hot-spots. The bodies were removed later in the afternoon from the charred remains of the trailer.

The trial of the two men found responsible for the crime was settled by a plea agreement. They were both sentenced to life in prison without parole. And that was the end of it. It was a small town tragedy that passed almost unnoticed.

However, there was a lot more to it than that. There had been years of managerial incompetence, police indifference, and absentee-owner neglect. This had been allowed to happen.

The absentee owner lived in either Seattle or California, whichever was handiest, and there was no way to contact him. The over-all manager of the court was also the property manager for several of the absentee owner’s properties around town and he had relegated management of the court to a manager who seldom answered the phone. When they did, the answer was always the same: “Live with it.”

That left the assistant manager who claimed that her only responsibility was collecting rent checks. She wouldn’t take cash. Too much money was disappearing and she wouldn’t accept the responsibility. If you had problems, call the police. They were the real managers of the trailer court.
Graffiti painted on the dumpsters read: “Crips rule in 2002.” That got a chuckle out of the police.

A gang of teenagers had pot parties in several of the empty trailers and afterwards burned them to the ground. Small children played in the middle of the streets, daring drivers to run over them. At one time there were seven convicted sex offenders living on one street. Most of them were child molesters. One resident sold prescription drugs to children. Four renters were under psychiatric care and were part time residents of the state hospital. And one old gal was cooking meth on her kitchen stove and her trailer burned down.

The two psychos who lived side by side behind us would meet in the street and pound on each other. The one directly behind us would start screaming and that would set the other one off-sort of a chain reaction. The guy who rented the house on the other side of us almost starved two dogs to death. We fed them over the fence and finally in the middle of winter we had to turn him into the police for animal abuse. They took the dogs away from him and we found homes for them. One nearly died of pneumonia.

Two of the older single ladies who lived in the court had their trailers broken into while they were asleep, but no-one was ever caught. Everyone was terrified to go outside after dark.

The night of the fire there had been a party next door. The father of the murdered family had been drinking with the two men and there had been an argument and threats made against his life. Later that night, while they slept, the two men entered the trailer, wadded up pages from the telephone directory and poured gas on the furniture, the walls, and the hallway. Then they touched it off.

One of the perpetrators of the crime was the son of the property manager. He had a police record of seven convictions for statutory rape and there was an outstanding warrant pending for his arrest for the eighth charge of statutory rape at the time of the murder. His partner and close friend had been arrested five times for assault and battery. He bragged about setting three arson fires at the court but was never questioned or arrested.

A week after the fire, Cathy and I had called the local newspaper editor and mentioned a number of things that we felt had contributed to the tragedy at the court and that had been overlooked in the investigation. We felt the situation hadn’t changed much. The previous problems still remained. He asked us to come down to the newspaper office and talk it over.

We met with three reporters in a conference room, two men and a woman in their twenties, and talked for an hour. Obviously it was a waste of time. When we got up to leave one of the reporters sarcastically informed us that the police considered it a low crime area.

Which reminded me of one other incident that had happened several years earlier. A trailer had pulled into the court after midnight one night and almost rammed my trailer. I heard the noise and went outside to see what was going on. The guy was maneuvering the wreck of a trailer and couldn’t quite get it done, so he parked sideways for the night. I went back to bed, since he wouldn’t listen to my advice.

In the morning I got a good look at the trailer. It was the most beat up wreck I had ever seen. It belonged in a junkyard. Within a week I realized that I had a dope dealer living next door. Several months passed and one day he flipped out and got in my face. The mother of two little girls called the police and they came down and talked to both of us. One officer took me aside and told me that he knew the guy was a drug dealer and asked me to keep an eye on him. He even asked me to take license plate numbers of anyone visiting the guy’s trailer. I agreed, since I thought if they knew what he was, surely they would do something about it.
They didn’t. Months passed and I quit taking numbers. Some of us are pretty slow to learn, but when we finally get it straight, we try not to do it again. I was an unpaid member of the police force, doing their job for nothing and taking chances they wouldn’t take themselves. No wonder they said it was a low crime area. I wouldn’t even say for certain that he wasn’t working for them. Low crime is no crime if you don’t prosecute.

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by James Dakin

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. - The New Madrid seismic zone remains under enough strain to unleash devastating earthquakes, University of Memphis researchers say.

The Memphis research team study published in the journal Nature rebuts the conclusions of a Northwestern University researcher's 1998 report that the dangers of the seismic zone had been "vastly overstated."

The U of M team studied the New Madrid, a network of faults branching from near Cairo, Ill., to Marked Tree, Ark., through Global Positioning Systems satellite measurements of the Earth's surface. GPS was used to gauge the buildup of strain on the seismic zone by measuring, in millimeters per year, the movement of 60-foot, antenna-equipped I-beams sunk vertically into the ground.

Their study showed that the crust of the Earth is "deforming," or pressing in on portions of the seismic zone a few millimeters annually.

"We still don't understand why it's deforming, but we can measure the deformation," said Bob Smalley, a research associate professor at the U of M's Center for Earthquake Research and Information and one of four authors of the report.

Arch Johnston, director of the Memphis earthquake center, said this is the first time
researchers were able to clearly measure, from the surface, the rate that strain is building up in the New Madrid system.

Earthquakes can happen as a result of the built-up strain that occurs as two pieces of the crust rub together.

In his study presented nearly seven years ago, Northwestern geophysicist Seth Stein had concluded there was very little strain accumulating on the New Madrid zone and therefore only a minute risk of huge quakes occurring.

The new findings follow an unusual spate of widely felt quakes across the New Madrid region during the past four months, including one of magnitude 3.9 on Monday near Clinton, Ky.

In late 1811 and early 1812, the New Madrid zone was the scene of some of the most powerful quakes known to have struck the continental United States. The temblors are said to have formed Reelfoot Lake, spewed towering geysers of sand and water into the air, caused the Mississippi River to flow backward and rung church bells on the East Coast.

Researchers have estimated that during any 50-year period, there's a 7 percent to 10 percent chance of an 1811-12 type quake occurring. The risks of a smaller magnitude-6 temblor have been put at 25-40 percent for a 50-year period.

WASHINGTON - The government hopes DNA analysis can pinpoint the herd of the cow that tested positive for mad cow disease and lead investigators to the source of the animal's brain-wasting illness, the Agriculture Department's chief veterinarian said Saturday.

Genetic testing is needed because of mistakes in how the beef cow was labeled and how its tissues were stored, John Clifford told The Associated Press in an interview.

The cow, a "downer" that could not walk, was delivered last November to a plant where animals unfit for human consumption are killed. The department has not identified the owner or the plant.

The cow's type of breed was mislabeled, possibly because the animal had been soiled heavily with manure, and its tissues were mixed with tissues from other cows, Clifford said.

"When we went back to this particular owner, the breed we identified, he indicated he did not sell that breed. He sold another breed," Clifford said. "In addition to that, we found that after the tissues were processed, there was some mixing."

Parts from the diseased animal and four other cows were supposed to be kept in separate waste barrels, but some of the waste was combined, Clifford said.

Department officials think they have found the right herd. To confirm that, they must find relatives of the dead cow and test DNA.

"We're pretty confident that we have the herd, but we want to make sure," Clifford said. "Testing is being done now on tissue from cows that may have been herdmates."

Finding the herd will help track the cow's feed and explain how the animal became infected. The mad cow disease is only known to spread through the feeding of infected cattle remains to other cattle. The U.S. has banned this practice since 1997.

When he announced the mad cow test results on Friday, Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns pointed out that U.S. cattle "move all across the country."

"They might be born in one state; they might be fed to a certain weight in another state," said Johanns, a former governor of Nebraska, a major beef state. "They might be fed out in another state and slaughtered yet in a fourth state."

The new case was confirmed by an internationally recognized laboratory in England. A series of tests in the U.S. had produced conflicting results.

U.S. officials had declared the cow to be free of the disease in November, but the department's inspector general ordered a new round of tests that came back positive and led to the British tests.

It may be the first native-born case of mad cow disease. Johanns said there is no evidence the animal was imported. The only other U.S. case, confirmed in December 2003 in Washington state, was in a dairy cow that had been imported from Canada, where three other cases have been found.

Like the 2003 case, the November cow was born before the 1997 feed ban, Johanns said.
The 2003 case prompted nearly 50 countries to impose bans on American beef, causing billions of dollars in losses for the U.S. industry.

Hours after officials confirmed the new case, Taiwan reimposed its ban. Japanese officials said they would seek more information about the new case.

Taiwan was a $76 million beef market for the U.S. in the year before the ban and had decided to resume imports two months ago. Japan was by far the biggest market, importing around $1.5 billion annually.

"There is a big difference between a suspected case and a confirmation," Japanese Food Safety Commission member Kiyotoshi Kaneko said in an interview aired by public broadcaster NHK.

Ed Loyd, an Agriculture Department spokesman, said Saturday that officials were talking with Taiwan authorities "to assure them of the safety of U.S. beef and that our interlocking safeguards did work as they should have to protect human and animal health."

He added, "We are hopeful that this will only be a temporary ban on U.S. beef."

Agriculture officials said the new case presented no new risk to human or animal health. The government banned downer cows such as this one from the food supply just days after the 2003 case. The feed ban and the downer ban are among many safeguards aimed at keeping mad cow disease from getting into food or feed. The November cow was incinerated.

Also Saturday, the department said it will review whether to continue its escalated level of testing for the disease beyond 2005.

Officials ramped up testing last June in response to the first case of mad cow disease. But the higher level of testing — about 1,000 each day — was intended to last only 12 months to 18 months.

The department has screened more than 388,000 dead cattle since the escalation, compared with about 20,000 screenings in the year before the first case.

"We'll continue to review that with the secretary," Clifford said. "There hasn't been any decision at this point in time to stop or to reduce the level."

He said the new case won't play a role in the decision.

"It's obvious that the prevalence of the disease is extremely low," Clifford said.

Mad cow disease is the common name for bovine spongiform encephalopathy, or BSE. A form of the brain-wasting disease in people, variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, is fatal and has been linked to the consumption of contaminated meat. The disease has killed about 150 people worldwide, mostly in Britain, where there was an outbreak in the 1990s.
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Daniel Estulin is award-winning investigative journalist who has been researching the Bilderbergers for over 13 years. Estulin was one of only two journalists in the world who witnessed and reported (from beyond the heavily guarded perimeter) the super secret meeting at the Dorint Sofitel Seehotel in Rottach-Egern, Munich, Bavaria, Germany, on May 5–8, 2005.

Estulin appeared on the Alex Jones Show to discuss Bilderberg's agenda for the coming year and their discussions on Iran and population control.

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According to Estulin's sources, Bilderberg are very angry at the alternative truth movement and its opposition and exposure of Bilderberg's agenda. More specifically, the Christian Patriot movement in America was highlighted as a nuisance that will have to be dealt with.

Bilderberg members postulated the necessity of wiping out American patriots who oppose the New World Order.

Some Bilderberg members expressed a wish to essentially invade the US with UN peacekeeping troops and confront Patriots. Bilderberg can't use the US military to carry out their dirty work because they are worried it would backfire as US troops would refuse to fire on their own citizens.

Many in the Christian Patriot movement have been saying that this would take place for a long time and have been ridiculed for doing so. However, this information lends credibility to an age-old warning handed down the generations, that one day the blue helmeted forces of world government would engage patriotic Americans sworn on defending their country.
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