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The Following material was assembled by the Research Department of the Coalition for Human Dignity as a result of stepped up activity on the part of major figures within the white supremacist movement in the area of electoral activism. Following the example of veteran neo-Nazi and "ex" Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke, organizations such as the Populist Party, America First Coalition, and others are testing the political waters in our backyard.

This packet will provide an introduction to the strange career of Vietnam "war hero" James "Bo" Gritz; from his forays into Southeast Asia in search of elusive Missing U.S. servicemen, to his on-again, off-again political relationship with anti-Semitic media mogul, Willis Carto,

James "Bo" Gritz, as is well documented throughout this information packet, has long-standing relations with major figures within the white supremacist movement. Although Gritz himself stridently denies any fascination with neo-Nazism or racism of any kind, he has repeatedly promoted anti-Jewish conspiracy theories and the work of any number of neo-Nazis and other racists.

Contents of the packet are as follows:

- A Coalition for Human Dignity propaganda sheet, "What Is Populism," designed to raise questions among individuals attracted to elements of Gritz's philosophy aside from anti-Semitic conspiracy theories.
- Articles concerning Gritz's 1992 Presidential race including primary documents from the Populist Party and Gritz's own America First Coalition, as well as clippings from *Ballot Access News* analyzing third party efforts around the country.
- Primary documents on Gritz's relationship to neo-Nazi David Duke and the political splits between the current head of the Populist Party, Don Wassal and Willis Carto. As is clear from the articles, Gritz's rejection of hardcore white supremacy is not shared by everyone in his political organizations.
- Gritz's overtures to the U.S. left, "Right-wing Conspiracists make inroads into left.," and an explosive article from *Soldier of Fortune* magazine entitled, "Bo Knows Politics: Klansmen, Christics, Clowns and Gritz's Populist Party," a damning blow to Gritz from his own political quarters.
- Misc. primary documents from Gritz's "Center for Action."

# WHAT IS POPULISM?

## ANSWERS TO COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Founded in 1984 as the political arm of the anti-Semitic Liberty Lobby, the modern Populist Party is a vehicle for various neo-Nazi, Ku Klux Klan, Christian Identity, and other bigoted organizations to impact the mainstream through electoral activity. Perennial neo-Nazi candidate David Duke was the Populist Party's 1988 Presidential choice. The party's first chairman was former Mississippi Klansman Robert Weems. As was the case with the Populist Party in 1984 and 1988, today we can identify a constellation of bigots who are in the top leadership positions of this political party and a variety of other quasi-fascist organizations. If you doubt the facts, look them up for yourself. Behind every genuinely concerned "patriot" a Klan recruiter is waiting.

While it is true that many individuals involved in the so-called "Christian Patriot," or "Populist" movement are not racists or anti-Semites, the leadership, financial backing, and religious foundations for the movement draw upon a history of violent bigotry. Today's "Populists" who claim a common lineage with late 19th century

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cist movements of the 1940's and Jim Crow segregationists of the American South.

In fact, the current presidential candidate for the Populist Party, James "Bo" Gritz, has persistent and extensive relations with racists and anti-Semites. The September, 1992 issue of *Soldier of Fortune* documents much of what we say below, and even some of what we don't! For example:

\* Gritz announced his current presidential bid at Christian Identity leader Pete Peter's 1991 Bible Camp, saying, "I'm telling you that he (God) has given us all that we need. He's given us the likes of Pete Peters, he's given us the likes of the Identity Christian movement." Peters recently authored a booklet called, *Intolerance of, Discrimination Against, and the Death Penalty For Homosexuals* which claims the Bible advocates state-sponsored murder of gays and lesbians. Gritz again referred to Peters as a "righteous man" at a speaking event in Wilsonville, Oregon on January 11, 1992.

\* On July 13, 1991, Gritz was a featured speaker at the First National Christian Heritage Conference in Reidsville, North Carolina. Featured with Gritz were Aryan Nations's attorney Kirk Lyons and Identity leader Richard Kelly Hoskins. Hoskins is the author of a book titled *Vigilantes Of Christendom: The Story of the Phineas Priesthood*. Released in 1990, Hoskin's book includes gleeful accounts of racist and anti-semitic murders, describing such acts as the ultimate "obedience to Biblical Law." Hoskins reserves his highest praise for the activities of such terrorist groups

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as the Order - the neo-Nazi terrorist underground whose members committed armed robbery and murdered Denver talk-show host Alan Berg in their efforts to build a genocidal white revolution. Gritz referred to Hoskins as "a friend" at the Wilsonville, Oregon event. We know, because we were there, too. In his book *Called to Serve*, Gritz tells us that, "Eight Jewish families virtually control the FED." (Federal Reserve System-ed). He then repeated this anti-Semitic myth during his appearance on Seattle's Town Meeting September 6th, 1992.



By Troy Maben/The Idaho Statesman

Bo Gritz holds his last press conference after successfully negotiating an end to the 10-day seige. Here he gives the "heil" sign to a group of skinheads gathered at the outer edge of the crowd. He told them that Randy said to give this, the heil, to them for their support.

### **WHAT IS THE CHRISTIAN IDENTITY MOVEMENT?**

Christian Identity is a peculiar, splinter theology which derives from the notion that the "Lost Tribes of Israel" are in fact the peoples of Northern Europe and that they are God's "chosen," predestined to rule. Other peoples are either "non-Adamic," "mud-people," who might find salvation in Christ but will always be inferior, or, in the case of Jews, children of the devil.

Though there are several varieties of "Identity" believers, some of whom even specifically reject the term "Identity," all subscribe to some degree of racist and/or anti-Semitic belief. Even when they deny it. For instance, Randy Weaver, involved in a ten day siege with federal officials near Naples, Idaho has been defended as a "white separatist" to counter charges of white supremacy leveled at him. This tactic is little more than an effort to seek mainstream approval for white racial domination under the cloak of a rugged, individualism born of Old west mythology.

Most Identity believers place race at the center of all theological and political debate. The Idaho-based Church of Jesus Christ Christian-Aryan Nations is probably the best known group of this sort. Another variety of the Identity movement styles itself as "believers in a Kingdom message," placing "personal salvation through Christ" as their first priority. However, they also support the idea that faithful whites will be rewarded as the rulers of God's Kingdom on earth. Still, many "Kingdom believers" persist with the notion that white domination is somehow not racist. Pastor Mike Watson's Kingdom Covenant College in Southern Oregon is an example of this trend.

Also common to many Identity believers is the promotion of simplistic conspiracy theories that scapegoat Jews and blame blacks, Hispanics, women, and gays and lesbians for a many, if not most, of the world's problems. Many of the organizations supporting the Populist Party fall into this category, and it is through the religious networks of Identity Christianity that many people become familiar with the white supremacist movement in the Pacific Northwest.

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## **THE POLITICAL APPARATUS**

James "Bo" Gritz's Oregon campaign organizer is Richard Flowers, head of the Boring, Oregon Christian Patriot Association. In an interview with the Clackamas County (Oregon) Review, Flowers stated,

***"God created man for woman period. The Oregon Citizen's Alliance (a homophobic group sponsoring an anti-gay and lesbian initiative in Oregon-ed.) has a good start on the homo issue, but I don't think they have gone far enough. The bible says to stone them, but I'm not sure we could get away with that in today's society, but you really wouldn't need to shoot too many of them to get the point across."***

In the same interview, Flowers also says that, "Blacks in general have a lower I.Q. than whites, and most want to just come in and take over without establishing anything themselves." Flowers is fond of expressing incredulity when he is accused of promoting racism. But he has also criticized Gritz for fathering two children with an Asian woman, although he claims this happened a long time ago and that Gritz has since changed.



*Richard Flowers  
Head of the Boring,  
Oregon Christian  
Patriot Association  
inside his bookstore  
and church.*

*(Photo courtesy of  
Ron Oberg  
Clackamas County  
Review)*

\*Gritz spoke recently in Billings, Montana with Martin J. "Red" Beckman, a man he has praised on numerous occasions. Best known for his role in the tax-protest and broader Christian Patriot movements, in *The Church Deceived*, Beckman wrote of the Holocaust,

***"They talk about the terrible Holocaust of Hitler's Nazi Germany. Was that not a judgement upon a people who believe Satan is their god?...The true and almighty God used the evil Nazi government to perform judgement upon the evil Anti-Christ religion of those who had crucified the Christ."***

\* Through the Nevada-based Center for Action, Gritz distributes material by noted anti-Semite Eustace Mullins. In his book, *The Biological Jew*, Mullins says that "Throughout history, we find the Jew entwined about the reproductive organs of the gentile host like a parasitic vine which is slowly strangling a healthy tree."

\* Nord Davis, Gritz's choice for Secretary of Defense, on equal application of the law: "The most difficult hurdle to get over in Scripture is the awesome fact that the Law was given only to one people, Israel, not to everyone on earth...Thus the Negroes in Africa, who clearly are not of Israel, are not under the Law and there is no need to make an effort to get them 'saved'".

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\* John Weaver, chosen by Gritz for the office of Attorney General, views the U.S. as controlled by "Moloch religion," a "power" and "money" religion. Weaver has made clear his view that Jews are behind this "Satanic" religion. Gritz chose Weaver to head the Justice Department because of Weaver's ability to insure that "our laws should reflect the morality of God's LAW."

### **PARTY PRINCIPLES?**

\* The platform of the Populist Party states that the party, "will halt the illegal immigrant invasion, and limit all legal immigration to those from countries sharing our European, Christian roots. While the organization declares itself to be opposed to "racism," they also believe that, "most discrimination today is against European-Americans " and that, "A vengeful civil rights industry...has institutionalized "affirmative action," quotas, racial preferences in educational admissions and job promotions, and other racist programs." ("The Platform of the Populist Party," published in the party organ, *The Populist Observer*, October 1991).



Aryan Nations Compound and Church, April 1989. From Left to Right, "Aryan Girl," "White Woman," Kim Badynski, Ku Klux Klan Tacoma, Washington; Richard Butler; Thom Robb, Ku Klux Klan Chaplain ; Rick E. Cooper.

### **THE WASHINGTON STATE KLAN/NAZI CONNECTION**

\* In Washington State, several noted neo-Nazi's and Klan organizers play key roles in Gritz's campaign. Kim Badynski, Grand Dragon of the Tacoma-based Northwest Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is Sergeant-at-Arms for the Washington State Populist Party. Badynski is also the sole representative to the National Party for the Washington state chapter- the vehicle for Gritz's Washington campaign. On his telephone hate-line Badynski is fond of making comments about "seed of Satan" Jews, refers to Mexican immigrants as "sub-human" and describes Nazi Germany as a "white Christian revival."

Washington State Populist Party chair Harry Schmidt, listed as the Washington State contact for the Gritz campaign, has expressed similar views in public testimony before several congressional committees. Denying the occurrence of the Holocaust before two separate committees, Schmidt referred to the Nazi Swastika as the "earliest Christian symbol" and to Klan cross-burnings as "a Christian practice" in testimony before the Senate Law and Justice Committee. These views are held by the violent wing of the Identity movement which includes the Church of Jesus Christ Christian-Aryan Nations based in Hayden Lake, Idaho.

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Claims he's not a racist—

## Rambo heads Populist Party ticket

Despite a series of internal disputes which have left it badly divided, all the factions of the Populist Party appear to be supporting a 1992 Presidential campaign by Col. Bo Gritz. A popular speaker at Identity Bible camps, "survivalist" expositions and other far right meetings, Gritz bills himself as the "most decorated Green Beret Commander" and the model for the Rambo movie character.

His resume reads like a hero out of a Robert Ludlum novel: "Intelligence Officer & Reconnaissance Chief for Delta Force; Principal Agent for National Security Council Intelligence Support Activity; Karate 6th degree black belt; and fluent in Swahili and Chinese Mandarin." Gritz reportedly resigned from the military in 1979. The Populist Party's newsletter claimed that Gritz had killed "over 400 communists in his illustrious career."

Gritz told the Liberty Lobby's

*Spotlight* tabloid that he supported George Wallace's segregationist Presidential bid in 1968. Gritz went on to garner publicity with four "secret" trips to Southeast Asia, ostensibly searching for P.O.W.s still held in Vietnam.

In 1988 Gritz briefly accepted the Populist Party's Vice Presidential nomination to run along with Presidential candidate David Duke. He stepped down shortly into the campaign however, to run as a Republican for office in his home state of Nevada.

Gritz now claims that the Populist Party's racist reputation is due to David Duke bringing racist elements into the party when Duke was the Party's presidential candidate in 1988. But from the moment of its formation in 1984 until today, the top leadership of the Populist Party has always been filled with well-known white supremacists.

For example, former Mississippi

Klansman Robert Weems was the party's first chairman. When Gritz accepted the nomination to run with Duke, the vice-chair was Jerry Pope, a former National States Rights Party executive committee member along with convicted church bomber J.B. Stoner. Today, Californian Joe Fields is a prominent member of the executive committee after a long career of open adulation for Hitler.

There is, in fact, significant evidence that Gritz is quite at home among white supremacists. Despite his Mormon heritage, Gritz has been a frequent speaker at Christian Identity conferences. Identity is the quasi-religious movement which claims that people of color are less than human; that Jews are children of the devil; and that white people of northern Europe are the Biblical people of Israel who shall fight a race war in the United States to gain redemption. □

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### Bo Gritz in his own words

*The following are excerpts from a 1991 speech at an Identity Bible Camp run by Pete Peters in western Colorado.*

- "The enemy you face today is a satanic overthrow where he would change the United States of America, a nation under God, into USA Incorporated with King George as chairman of the board. And a Zionist group that would rule over us as long as satan might be upon this earth, that is your enemy."

- "Do you think you're lucky to be an American today? Do you think you're lucky to be an Identity Christian today? ...I believe that the Identity Christian movement will continue to grow in this nation until it is able to stand self-sufficient in spite of the government."

- "Basically the Zionists are taking over and we Christians are being formed into small pockets that have to go to camps twice a year to learn what's going on."

- "I didn't ask how or why, I just figured if it was meant to happen, (publication of Gritz' book *Called To Serve*-ed.)

there would be somebody there. And Pete Peters just happened to send me a check and say, here Bo, we thought you might be needing this. It just happened on the very day that we had to pay the final bill on the book. So, the very first copies of the book will arrive here (at the Bible camp in Colorado-ed.) by Air Express from Michigan. Pete Peters will get the very first copy."

- "I am telling you that he (God) has given us all that we need. He's given us the likes of Pete Peters, he's given us the likes of the Identity Christian movement."

*In his book **Called To Serve**, Gritz promotes anti-Semitic myths about "international Jewish bankers."*

"Eight Jewish families virtually control the entire FED (Federal Reserve System—ed)—only three are American Jews (sic)...Rotschilds of London and Berlin, Lazard Bros.-Paris, Israel Mossesschiff-Italy, Kuhn-Loeb—Germany, Warburg-Hamburg, Lechman Bros-NY, Goldman and Sachs-NY and Rockefellers-NY." p.609.

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## 1992 Populist Party Nominating Convention



### **COL. BO GRITZ, Keynote speaker**

Dear Fellow Patriots,

You are cordially invited to attend the Populist Party's National Convention. This is an annual event, and of course, as this is a presidential year, we will officially nominate our 1992 standardbearers for President and Vice President at this year's meeting.

We would like for you to attend. We need a show of force and unity in order to send the architects of the "New World Order" the strongest message possible this year. What follows are the details of the convention:

**WHEN:** May 1-3, 1992

**WHERE:** The Ramada Hotel in Clark, New Jersey, nine miles from the Newark Airport. (Unlike Newark, Clark is a very safe area!)

**RESERVATIONS:** Call the Ramada for your room reservations at 201-574-0100. Rooms are \$55 per night, single or double. Be sure to say you're with the Populist Party convention in order to get the special rate. Be sure to reserve your room early as there is a bloc being held for the convention on a first-come, first-served basis.

**REGISTRATION:** Registration is \$20 for the weekend. Pre-registration is advised, as there may be a sell-out. Pre-registration instructions are on the enclosed coupon.

**SHUTTLE FOR THOSE FLYING:** There is a shuttle available from the Newark Airport to the Ramada. To ensure fast service, let the Ramada (201-574-0100) know what time your flight is due so that a shuttle is ready for you.

**DIRECTIONS FOR DRIVING:** Entering New Jersey from the north, take the NJ Turnpike south to Exit 11. Follow signs to Garden State Parkway North to Exit 135 and bear left off the exit. Go around the circle to Valley

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Road. The Ramada is on the left. From southern points take the NJ Tnpk north to Exit 11. At Exit 11 take the Garden State Pkwy north to Exit 135. Follow around circle to Ramada.

**AGENDA:** Friday May 1 is day of informal socializing and caucusing as attendees arrive from around the country. Hospitality room opens 6:00 p.m. Saturday May 2 -- state leaders and national officers meet from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Public meeting opens at 1:00 p.m. Reports on ballot access, presidential campaign, progress of Populist Party, speakers, including Col. Bo Gritz, Col. Stephen Uzzell (Ret.), expert on the New World Order, Tom McDonough of Straight Kids USA and others, also Populist Party leaders such as Don Wassall, Bob Blumetti, Joe D'Alesio and others. Sunday, May 3 -- nomination of presidential and vice presidential candidates, speakers and other Party business, starting at 9:00 a.m.

**MORE INFORMATION:** Call the Populist Party national office -- 412-763-1225.

This should be a historic meeting, as the Populist Party, America's last, best hope, nominates its 1992 standardbearers. Remember to make your room reservations as early as possible, and also pre-register for the meeting to ensure your place as we expect a good-sized crowd.

As you know, the Populist Party is financed solely by its supporters. We are truly a David trying to defeat the Goliath that has subverted our Constitution and way of life. We have no special interest groups or political action committees funding us, and that is the way we want it. We depend on you. Maintaining and building an anti-Establishment, pro-American political party is extremely difficult. Setting up a three-day national convention, with the many expenses involved, taxes us to the limit. We are counting on those of you who cannot attend to help us with a donation if it is at all possible.

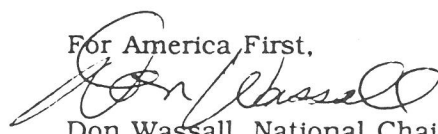
It is not fun for us to continually ask for financial help, but as any of you who have tried to build the Populist Party or any patriotic organization know, money is very difficult to come by. For every dollar that we raise, the Republicrats raise thousands from fatcats, corporations, PACs and special interest groups. (See the March '92 *Populist Observer*, page three, for a very revealing article on Establishment financing of the Republicrats.)

It is important that all of us do our utmost in this crucial election year. The whole system is stacked against us, but if we fail to try, failure is assured. I hope you agree that it is important that America have an America First, nationalist political party such as the Populist Party. If there is not a viable political alternative available for our fellow citizens when they finally wise up sufficiently to what is going on around them, it will be too late. If you agree, then we need your continued help.

It is going to be Clinton vs. Bush this November, the worst lesser of two evils choice America has ever had. Ross Perot is pro-Establishment too; just look at the favorable media coverage he is receiving, while Bo Gritz and the Populist Party are for the most part ignored. We are the real threat to the ruling powers, one they are well aware of. We need to do everything we can to get our message out between now and the November election; no one will do us any favors, we must do it ourselves.

The officers of the Populist Party Executive Committee look forward to renewing old acquaintances and making new ones at the May 1-3 national convention. We hope you can attend.

For America First,



Don Wassall, National Chairman

# Bo Gritz for President



Lt. Col. James "Bo" Gritz (Ret.) is an American hero. The most decorated Green Beret commander of the Vietnam War, Gritz received 62 valor citations. He was an intelligence officer and Reconnaissance Chief, Delta Force. He was Commander of U.S. Army Special Forces in Latin America. He trained Afghan Mujahideen freedom fighters and participated in 100 special operations in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos and Africa. He has been the subject of numerous books and articles on Special Forces Intelligence Operations and U.S. POWs. He was featured by General William Westmoreland as "The" American soldier in his memoirs, "A Soldier Reports." He was the role model for the movies "Uncommon Valor," "Mission MIA," and "Rambo."

Bo Gritz has a MA in Communications from American University and a Masters in Military Science, USAC&GSC, as well as a B.Sci. in Law and Corrections from the University of Nebraska. He is fluent in several languages. He is married to Claudia Jean King and has four children and a grandson.

A dynamic and articulate speaker, Gritz regularly speaks to audiences all over the United States. Bo Gritz's objectives in running for President include: restoring constitutional government, returning our prisoners of war while they are still alive, winning the war on drugs, and putting accuracy, accountability and integrity into American government.



**Don't you agree it's time to send a message to the Democrat and Republican politicians, who have lied to, stolen from, and betrayed the American middle class?**

- I want to become a supporting member of the Populist Party National Committee. I'm enclosing \$15 in annual dues.
- Enclosed is \$35 for yearly dues, as well as a one-year subscription to *The Populist Observer*, the voice of the Populist Party.
- I wish to contribute to the Populist Party's national campaign fund. I am enclosing \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- Send me \_\_\_\_\_ copies of this flyer. Vote Populist Party (7¢ each).
- I volunteer to help the Bo Gritz for President campaign in my area. Contact address on front of this flyer.

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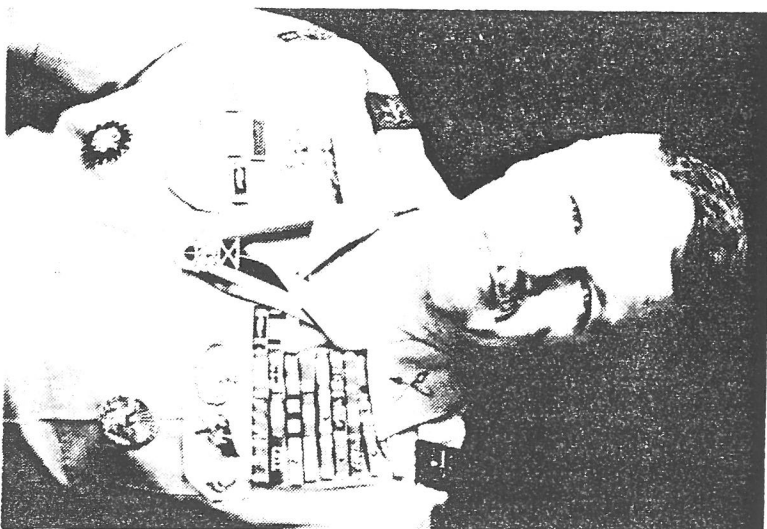
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Make payment out to Populist Party and mail to: Populist Party, P.O. Box 1992, Ford City, PA 16226. Phone # (412) 763-1225. Donations to the Populist Party are not tax deductible.

# Bo Gritz

## FOR PRESIDENT

"We've got one more hill to take --- Capitol Hill! Together we'll win!"



***The Time is Now --- Let's Take America Back From the "Republicrats" Who Have Brought Our Nation to the Brink of Ruin***

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# HERE'S WHERE BO GRITZ AND THE POPULIST PARTY STAND ON THE ISSUES

## *A Ten-Point Program to Help Return America to Greatness*

- REDUCE TAXES** A flat tax of 10% should be enacted, with the eventual goal of eliminating income taxes altogether and replacing them with tariffs and value-added taxes. Present rates of taxation are intolerable and most of the tax money is wasted by corrupt and unneeded bureaucracies. The Homeowner's Amendment should be passed, allowing each family the right to own one home tax-free.
- STOP THE FOREIGN BUY-OUT OF AMERICA** The Democrats and Republicans are allowing foreign interests to own our nation. Bo Gritz and the Populist Party will stop this madness.
- RETURN TO GOVERNMENTAL BASICS** The government that governs least governs best. Government today is an out-of-control monster that seeks to regulate every aspect of our lives. Big government and liberty are incompatible. It is time to put an end to Big Brother and reduce the size and scope of government.
- PRESERVE OUR GUN RIGHTS** Democrats and many Republicans are slowly but surely chipping away at the constitutional right to keep and bear arms. This right must be completely restored, and Americans need to keep in mind why they have this precious right: 1. to protect themselves, their family and their property from any and all who would do them harm; and 2. to take proper measures against a government that oppresses the people it was meant to govern.
- END ALL ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION** The United States is being overrun by both legal and illegal immigrants. The current wave of illegals is helping to transform America into a Third World country. The first duty of any legitimate government is to safeguard its borders, and it is time to halt the illegal immigrant invasion as well as strictly limit legal immigration.
- WELFARE REFORM** Welfare should be replaced by workfare. The present welfare system has succeeded only in wrecking the family unit in our inner cities, while the middle class Americans that fund the system can often no longer afford to have children of their own. All recipients of public assistance should work on public projects while receiving taxpayer monies, and any recipient who tests positive for drugs should be denied aid until the drug habit is cured.
- GREATLY REDUCE FOREIGN AID** Charity begins at home and it is a crime to send endless dollars overseas when there are so many domestic problems to be dealt with. Foreign aid should be greatly reduced and used only where our vital national interests are at stake.
- END AFFIRMATIVE ACTION** A vengeful civil rights industry, together with the media and government, has institutionalized "affirmative action," quotas, racial preferences in educational admissions and job promotions, and other racist programs. It is time to abolish all discrimination and live by the motto "Equal rights for all, special privileges for none."
- OPPOSE THE 'NEW WORLD ORDER'** The unstated goal of the "New World Order" is to end American sovereignty and integrate the U.S. into a one-world system, under the auspices of the United Nations. The Populist Party will never allow American sovereignty to be taken away by the internationalists.
- BRING BACK STANDARDS AND DECENCY** America is drowning in a sewer of decadence and immorality, promoted by the liberal and corporate elites who run this country. Bo Gritz and the Populist Party demand a return to excellence and high moral standards in all spheres of life.

## Are You a Populist?

The Populist Party believes in government that represents and responds to the will of the American people, especially the working and middle class majority that has been forsaken by the Democrats and Republicans in favor of special interest groups.

Populists are unabashedly proud of America's heritage of limited government, self-responsibility, community involvement, and high moral standards.

The Populist Party looks at all issues from one perspective only --- what's good for America. The populist perspective is not concerned with what is good for the multi-national corporations, special interest groups, and favored foreign nations --- America badly needs a political party that will look out for America first and foremost. Our jobs, our industries and our way of life are all threatened by the sovereignty-ending "New World Order" promoted by both the Democrat and Republican parties.

The Populist Party was formed in 1987. It has grown rapidly, and in 1990 its candidates averaged 6% of the vote in the races they contested. In '92 we can win! Dangerous times call for new political alternatives. Americans won their freedom by defeating tyranny and now we must oppose tyranny again. Populism and the Populist Party have arrived, ready to challenge the corrupt rule of the Democrats and Republicans. Bo Gritz and the Populist Party can win, but only with your support. "But what can I do?" you ask. Stop being part of the problem. Start being part of the solution. Back the Bo Gritz for President campaign.

# BALLOT ACCESS NEWS

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## PEROT PUTS HIS THIRD PARTY OPPONENTS INTO A SLUMP

### THIRD PARTIES DO WELL FOR U.S. SENATE & STATE LEGISLATURE

Ross Perot's 18.9% showing is the best for a third party or independent presidential candidate since 1912. Perot even outpolled Bill Clinton in Utah, and almost outpolled George Bush in Maine.

The presidential candidates of the various third parties, by contrast, all did worse than expected.

The only other third party presidential candidate who received more than 1% of the vote in any state is Bo Gritz, who polled 4% in Utah and 2.5% in Idaho (Gritz, the Populist/America First nominee, is a Mormon).

The Associated Press reported on Wednesday, November 4, at 3 pm, that the third party presidential vote totals were: Marrou 278,528; Fulani 211,742; Gritz 97,601; Hagelin 44,521; Phillips 39,391; Warren 27,464; LaRouche 25,688; Daniels 25,404; Herer 3,452; Halyard 3,068; Brisben 2,789; Yiamouyiannis 2,316; Dodge 953. This list does not include the candidates who were on the ballot in only one state.

The results above will probably rise about 5% when they are made official. They do not include write-ins, which are likely to be most significant for Gritz and Hagelin.

### VICTORY IN FLORIDA 10¢ FEE CASE

On October 5, the 11th circuit declared unconstitutional Florida law which requires third parties to pay the government for the cost of checking their petitions. The law had required third parties to pay 10¢ for each name submitted. *Fulani v Krivanek*, no. 91-3918. The vote was 3-0. The judges were Thomas Clark, Phyllis Kravitch (Carter appointees) and Virgil Pittman (a Johnson appointee).

The basis for the decision is that equal protection demands that third party candidates not be required to pay the fee, when independent candidates need not necessarily pay it. This is the first decision which ever struck down a ballot access restriction on the grounds that third party candidates cannot be treated more harshly than independent candidates.

The 11th circuit took great pains to show that a 1983 decision by the same court did not uphold the 10¢ fee, as the state had been claiming. That 1983 decision, *Libertarian Party v State*, seemed to approve the fee, but because the party had not challenged the fee in that case (instead, it had challenged the number of signatures), the language in the 1983 decision was *dicta*. The judges in the current case went so far as to retrieve the Libertarian Party's brief from storage, and to quote from it, to prove that the 10¢ issue was not raised in the old case.

The state has no plans to appeal the decision to the U.S. Supreme Court.

### OTHER OFFICE HIGHLIGHTS

The Libertarian Party elected 4 state legislators in New Hampshire, and polled 44.5% for a Nevada State Senate candidate. About 900,000 voters voted for a Libertarian for the U.S. Senate, the highest Senate total for a nationally-organized third party since 1914.

The Hawaii Green Party polled 14% for U.S. Senator, in a race against both major parties. It elected a candidate to the Hawaii County Council, a partisan election. Never before had a third party candidate won a Hawaiian election.

The Vermont Progressive Coalition elected 5 members of the legislature, and the Alaska Independence Party elected one. Independents were elected to the legislature in Alaska, Arkansas, California, Mississippi, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York and South Carolina.

### CHANGES IN BALLOT STATUS

Libertarian Party: compared to four years ago, is a qualified party in 4 more states (total 18, plus Pennsylvania). Gains in status, relative to December 1988, are Kansas, Missouri, New Hampshire, South Dakota, Utah, and Wisconsin, offset by loss of status in Michigan and New Mexico. It also gained party status in Pennsylvania, but petitioning there is still required.

New Alliance Party: compared to Dec. 1988, has lost Illinois and New Mexico, and gained Oregon. Total: 4.

Green Party: has status in the same 5 states it had before the election, but it will lose that in Arizona unless its registration increases to 13,000 by mid-1993.

U.S. Taxpayers Party and its affiliates: now have status in California, New Mexico and South Carolina.

Populist Party: now has status in Utah.

Ross Perot's vote created new parties in Alaska, Connecticut (those two only for presidential status), Arkansas, Louisiana, Oregon, and Pennsylvania (although the Pennsylvania Party must still petition).

Natural Law Party: has status in New Mexico.

Independent American Party of Utah gained status.

### NEW HOPE FOR POSTAL PETITIONING

On October 5, the U.S. Supreme Court vacated and remanded the 2nd circuit decision in *Longo v Postal Service*, 91-1988. The issue is whether post office sidewalks can be used for petitioning. The 2nd Circuit had said "No". Longo had then appealed to the Supreme Court, which has now told the 2nd Circuit to reconsider.


**PRESIDENTIAL VOTE**

STATE	PEROT	MARROU	GRITZ	FULANI	PHILLIPS	HAGELIN	DANIEL	LOUCHE	WARREN
Alabama	183,109	5,737	?	2,161	?	495	?	641	831
Alaska	73,481	1,378	1,379	330	377	433	?	469	?
Arizona	353,741	6,759	8,141	923	0	2,267	0	8	0
Arkansas	97,790	1,194	789	1,293	300	818	0	830	0
California	2,292,295	48,035	3,077	0	12,659	836	18,553	180	115
Colorado	340,976	7,801	?	1,409	0	?	0	?	0
Connecticut	348,771	5,391	72	1,363	20	75	0	4	5
Delaware	59,213	935	?	1,105	?	?	?	?	?
D.C.	9,681	467	0	1,459	0	230	1,186	260	105
Florida	1,052,481	15,068	0	0	0	214	0	0	0
Georgia	309,657	7,110	78	44	7	0	0	0	9
Guam	0	116	0	147	0	0	0	0	0
Hawaii	53,003	1,119	1,452	720	0	416	0	0	0
Idaho	130,395	1,167	10,281	613	0	24	0	1	0
Illinois	840,515	9,218	3,577	5,267	0	2,751	0	1	1,361
Indiana	455,934	7,936	1,436	2,583	0	108	0	14	0
Iowa	253,468	1,076	1,177	197	480	3,079	212	238	273
Kansas	312,358	4,314	71	9	28	71	0	0	0
Kentucky	203,944	4,513	47	430	989	695	0	0	0
Louisiana	211,478	3,155	18,545	1,434	1,552	889	1,663	1,136	0
Maine	206,820	1,681	?	519	464	?	?	?	?
Maryland	281,414	4,715	41	2,786	22	196	167	18	25
Massachusetts	630,731	9,021	0	3,172	2,218	1,812	0	1,027	0
Michigan	824,813	10,175	168	21	8,263	2,954	0	14	0
Minnesota	562,506	3,373	3,363	958	733	1,406	0	622	990
Mississippi	85,626	2,154	545	2,625	1,652	1,140	0	?	0
Missouri	518,741	7,497	180	17	0	64	12	13	6
Montana	107,225	986	3,658	8	0	20	0	0	0
Nebraska	174,104	1,340	0	846	0	714	0	0	0
Nevada	132,580	1,835	2,892	483	677	338	0	0	0
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New Jersey	521,829	6,822	1,867	3,513	2,670	1,353	1,996	2,095	2,011
New Mexico	91,895	1,615	0	369	620	562	0	0	183
New York	1,090,721	13,451	23	11,318	0	4,420	303	17	15,472
North Carolina	357,864	5,171	0	59	0	41	0	0	12
North Dakota	71,084	416	0	143	0	240	0	642	193
Ohio	1,022,066	7,306	4,716	6,364	0	3,493	0	2,772	0
Oklahoma	319,878	4,486	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	354,091	4,277	1,470	3,030	0	91	0	0	0
Pennsylvania	890,745	20,527	?	6,685	?	?	?	?	?
Rhode Island	105,045	571	?	1,878	215	262	?	494	?
South Carolina	119,257	2,719	0	1,235	2,680	0	0	0	0
South Dakota	73,295	814	0	110	0	429	0	0	0
Tennessee	199,968	1,847	727	727	579	599	511	460	277
Texas	1,354,781	19,699	505	301	359	217	0	169	0
Utah	203,400	1,900	28,602	414	393	1,319	177	1,089	270
Vermont	65,991	501	?	429	124	315	?	57	82
Virginia	348,639	5,730	0	3,192	0	0	0	11,937	0
Washington	541,780	7,533	4,854	1,776	2,354	2,456	1,171	855	515
West Virginia	106,488	1,799	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Wisconsin	544,479	2,877	2,311	654	1,772	1,070	1,883	633	390
Wyoming	51,263	844	575	270	3	8	0	0	0
TOTAL	19,662,746	289,719	<u>106,619</u>	75,901	42,210	39,212	27,834	26,696	23,125

Marrou: Libertarian. Gritz: Populist. Fulani: New Alliance. Phillips: Taxpayers. Hagelin: Natural Law. Warren: Socialist Workers. Independents are Ross Perot, Lyndon LaRouche, and Ron Daniels. "?" means that the candidate received a number of write-in votes which is unknown, since no one has yet tallied them. Ar, Co, Oh, WV returns are unofficial.

# 'Bo' Gritz brings presidential campaign to Portland

By BETHANVE MCNICHOL  
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*It's time, it's past time, for a second American Revolution.*

James "Bo" Gritz

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Neither "foreign bankers," the United Nations nor the federal government was spared Saturday night as James "Bo" Gritz brought his presidential campaign to Portland. Speaking before a predominantly white, T-shirts-and-jeans crowd of about 250 at Benson High School's auditorium, Gritz wove his experiences growing up on a farm in Oklahoma and going on to become the most decorated Green Beret during the Vietnam War into a xenophobic narrative indicting the federal government for what he considers its abuses of power.

"I'm a patriot, not a politician," he told the assembled, who gave him a standing ovation as he entered the hall and took the stage. "It's time, it's past time, for a sec-

ond American Revolution," he said to cheers and applause. "This time we take Capitol Hill with ballots, instead of bullets."

Gritz, who is running on the Populist Party ticket, referred several times to his mediation efforts during the armed stand-off last August between federal agents and white separatist fugitive Randy Weaver in

Northern Idaho. "We prayed for a break. It was a miracle," he said, of Weaver's subsequent surrender. Still, "It makes me so angry," Gritz said.

"What kind of idiocy is this? We have My Lai in America almost every day somewhere. We have got to pin the responsibility of these abuses of power on those in Washington. District of Criminals who own the authority, but none of the responsibility," he said, to cheers and applause.

In addition to revoking the country's membership in the U.N., Gritz said, he'd revoke the 16th Amendment, which authorizes Congress to impose income taxes.

"I care about America, that's what I care about," Gritz said. He'd take care of problems within the country first, before serving as "the world's policeman."



James "Bo" Gritz, the Populist Party's presidential candidate, speaks Saturday to a crowd in Portland.

**"I don't like David Duke, and I don't like what he stands for. Anyone who is a racist, anyone who is a bigot ... I don't want their support."**

—James "Bo" Gritz



## Group pickets Populist Party candidate

□ Protesters accuse James "Bo" Gritz, who is running for president, of backing a racist agenda

By JEFF MAPES  
of *The Oregonian* staff

WILSONVILLE — James "Bo" Gritz, a former military hero who is the Populist Party candidate for president, was picketed Saturday by demonstrators who accused him of supporting a racist political agenda.

During his appearance in Wilsonville, Gritz insisted that the picketers have him wrong and that he is not allied with ex-Klansman David Duke, who ran on the Populist Party

ticket in 1988. Gritz attracted national attention for leading four failed missions to Laos in 1963 to rescue U.S. servicemen he said were still being held as prisoners of war.

"I don't like David Duke, and I don't like what he stands for," said Gritz before giving a speech at the Holiday Inn. It was sponsored by the Christian Patriot Association of Bor-ing.

"Anyone who is a racist, anyone who is a bigot ... I don't want their support," said Gritz, a Nevada resi-

dent. About 40 persons from the Coalition for Human Dignity, a Portland-based group formed to oppose racism, protested his visit.

Steve Gardiner, a spokesman for the group, said that despite Gritz's disavowals, the former Green Beret and highly decorated war hero is mixed up with organizations that have espoused a racist agenda.

Gardiner said the modern Populist Party was founded as a front group by the anti-Semitic Liberty Lobby. He also said that Gritz has

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## Gritz: Candidate seeks platform changes

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participated in the Christian identity movement, which Gardiner said is "undeniably racist" in espousing the superiority of whites.

Gardiner said his group picketed Gritz's appearance to discourage mainline political candidates from adopting "pre-civil rights movement" views as a way to co-opt support for people such as Gritz and Duke.

Gritz countered that he was trying to change Populist Party platforms that were racist and that he has a different perception of the

Christian identity movement. He said it was merely aimed at recognizing the "historical fact" that the U.S. was founded as a Christian nation and that all groups should be free to practice their religion and participate in politics.

He said he had seen neo-Nazi and anti-Semitic literature at a Liberty Lobby event he attended, but he said he found the members were "just good Americans."

"I don't know who put that crap out," he said, referring to the literature. "It's not those people" he met

at the event, Gritz added.

Gritz, 53, said he is primarily interested in abolishing the Federal Reserve, repealing income taxes and ensuring that the president resist any attempts to establish a world government.

"I don't think we'll be voting as Americans in 1996" if something isn't done to stop the movement toward world government, Gritz said. He added that a coalition of independent political parties is supporting him and that he hopes to be on the ballot under different party labels in most of the states.

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James (Bo) Gritz and David Duke are pictured after receiving the Populist Party's nod for vice president and president respectively.

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# It's Duke and Rambo!



# “What Bo Doesn’t Know”

## Populist Party Split Endangers Gritz Campaign

Although it could have been a successful third party campaign, the bid of former Special Forces Colonel Bo Gritz for president has floundered on the rocks of far right factionalism. Many white supremacists have supported Pat Buchanan or David Duke instead. Gritz has been the Populist Party's unofficial presidential candidate since last summer. At that time he was supported by Identity leaders such as Pete Peters and groups such as the Christian Patriot Association. But an enduring split between Populist Party founder Willis Carto and the current executive director Don Wassall has hurt Gritz's campaign.

The Populist Party has had some success in attracting more mainstream support. At a Washington state party dinner former state Supreme Court Justice William Goodloe donated \$50 to the Populists. The *Populist Observer*, the party's newspaper, reported the Populist officials were negotiating with former Ambassador David Funderburk about speaking at their May 2-3 conference in New Jersey.

Gritz's standard stump speech is an amalgam of themes popular among white supremacists and others on the far right: the Federal Reserve System is unconstitutional and should be abolished and a vast conspiracy of “internationalists” are taking over the world. He assures his audiences that “Bo knows” secret, inside information. In his book Gritz wrote, “Eight Jewish (sic) families virtually control the FED [Federal Reserve System].”

At the same time, white supremacists have criticized Gritz, claiming he is insufficiently anti-gay and not openly racist. For example, at recent speeches, Gritz attempted to prove he's not a racist by referring to his Amer-Asian children and pointed to their pictures in his book, *Called To Serve*.

In a January 3, 1992, letter to Willis Carto about lack of support by the Liberty Lobby's tabloid, *The Spotlight*, Gritz complained: “David Duke is a loser. Paint him red-white-blue, make him look like Uncle Sam, give him flags to wave, have him sing God Bless America, and fire a 21 gun salute. Still he is a loser. He has done more harm to the Populist Party and third party movement than Hitler would have...Why support a young man who has never worn the uniform of the United States, but chosen to sport a Nazi emblem that brave Americans died (including my Dad) fighting against?”

Gritz had previously spoken at a North Carolina Populist Party meeting attended by Klansmen and neo-Nazi skinheads. Two months later he was warmly received at an Identity conference in Colorado.

Wassall's Populist Party has been forced to take a back seat

Willis A. Carto  
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RE: Your December letter

Willis *Willis*

*3 January '92*

I sent you a letter seeking cooperation between you and your former allies. Don Wassall has indicated he is ready to join forces. Jim Yarbrough is on line. Merton Short has expressed hope for Bill, his AIP boss. A.J. Barker wants to unify. Everyone seems prepared to pull together.

During my first meeting with Don and Phil as a Populist candidate, I expressed utmost concern for accountability of party funds. I wanted there to be no question that I would not tolerate even the slightest misappropriation. Both Don and Phil assured me they would be scrupulous in their accountability. Past handling methods were brought up and it was pointed out that you had absolute control over disbursement of Populist Party, Spotlight and Liberty Lobby accounts. Phil furnished me copies of past party FEC records showing gross PP withdrawals approaching \$700,000 to both Spotlight and LL for such purposes as mailing list rental and advertisement. Phil expressed considerable doubt as to authentic justification for these single huge costs. On their face, they also seemed terribly excessive. Why would PP pay LL more than \$100,000 to rent mailing lists? Does LL have a list worth that much? It seemed incredulous to me that a person like yourself at the pulse of all three organizations would charge such inconceivable amounts.

campaign. David Duke is a loser. Paint him red-white-blue, make him look like Uncle Sam, give him flags to wave, have him sing God Bless America, and fire a 21 gun salute. Still, he is a loser. He has done more harm to the Populist Party and third party movement than Hitler would have. Why do you continue to ride a dead horse? Why support a young man who has never worn the uniform of the United States, but chosen to sport a Nazi emblem that brave Americans died (including my Dad) fighting against? Either you are an American in this fight against Bush's new world order, or you are part of the problem. Decide which it is.

*Letters between Liberty Lobby mogul Willis Carto and Populist Party candidate Col. Bo Gritz illustrate the bitter feud between far right factions.*

as Gritz has cobbled together his own campaign organization, the America First! Coalition. In many states, Gritz doesn't even mention the Populist Party in his stump speech. When anti-racists protest the Populist Party's racism and the former Klansmen and neo-Nazis in its leadership, Gritz makes vague claims about cleaning the racists out of the Party.

Gritz's America First! Coalition includes the Independent Voters Party in Massachusetts, the American Independent Party in California and possibly the American Party in South Carolina. The coalition partners will give Gritz ballot access in those states.

### Wassall vs. Carto

The split between Carto and Wassall has *not* been caused by Carto's support for neo-Nazis, however. It's a fight over *control* of the Populist Party and *money*. At several public meetings Gritz has waved around Federal Election Commission documents which show huge billings from *Spotlight* and Liberty Lobby to the Populist Party. According to Wassall, Carto is

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## Liberty Lobby Supports Candidates

The Populist Action Committee is supporting Bill Wilson, a Populist Party candidate for U.S. Senate from Oregon, and William Townsend, who is running as a Republican for the House of Representatives from Pennsylvania. Stephan A. Koczak, who writes for *The Spotlight*, was on the ballot as a Republican in the New Hampshire primary. Victor Vreeland is running as a Democrat for Congress from Texas. Connie Youngkin is running as a Republican for Calif. state assembly.

Scott Shepherd is running in the Republican primary for Tennessee state representative from District 94 near Memphis, Tenn. Shepherd used to represent the David Duke's NAAWP, but is now heading his own organization, the National White Rights Association.

trying to ruin the Populist Party because he can't control it. Carto, in turn, charged Wassall with being a "documented liar" and "political nerd."

After Carto lost control of the Populist Party national committee, he has followed a two-pronged strategy: winning control over state Populist Party chapters and forming a Populist Action Committee.

### The Populist Action Committee

The Populist Action Committee (PAC) was established by Liberty Lobby in May 1991. It is not a political action committee, however, that contributes money to selected candidates. Instead, according to *Spotlight* editor Vince Ryan, it promotes "populist candidates" by publicizing them "with *The Spotlight*, urging patriots to contribute to those candidates directly."

Bo Gritz and over two dozen other far right leaders agreed to serve as advisory board members to the committee. The advisory board is dominated by Liberty Lobby personalities—including Tom Valentine, Mike Blair, Martin Larson and Robert Weems. Weems is now a bureau chief for *Spotlight* and was founding chairman of the Populist Party in 1984. He was a Mississippi Klan leader in the 1970s and 1980s, and donned a white robe during the 1989 Klan march through Gainesville, Ga.

Apparently Bo doesn't know that his name is being used to support an erstwhile neo-Nazi's campaign for office. The Feb. 24 *Spotlight* carried an article with a Populist Action Committee endorsement of Art Jones's campaign for the Illinois 3rd Congressional District seat. Jones has been a neo-Nazi leader since the 1970s. At the March 1989 Populist Party national committee meeting in Chicago, while serving as a bodyguard for David Duke, Jones shoved a local television reporter covering Duke's speech.

### Trouble Winning Populist Party Support


Gritz has had trouble winning support of Populist Party leaders. Joe Fields, a member of Wassall's Executive Committee from Los Angeles, told reporters that the Los Angeles County Populist Party is supporting Buchanan. Another Wassall insider, Joe D'Alessio from New Jersey, supported Buchanan until he was forced to resign as chairman of Buchanan's New Jersey state organization.

Representatives from several Populist Party state organizations loyal to Carto rather than executive director Wassall met in North Carolina on Feb. 8. Gritz sent his son Jay as a proxy to ensure support. Both A.J. Barker from North Carolina and Jim Yarborough from Georgia pledged to support Gritz. But Jon Shudlick from Florida promoted David Duke's Republican candidacy. And *Truth At Last* publisher Ed Fields, who also spoke at the meeting, has been supporting Buchanan.

Aryan Nations attorney Kirk Lyons, who recently moved to Black Mountain, N.C., was a speaker and Clyde Jones' Aryan Christian Knights Klan patrolled the Holiday Inn parking lot outside. As *The Monitor* goes to press, neither the North Carolina or Georgia state Populist Parties are supporting Gritz. Gritz told the *Portland Oregonian* that "Anyone who is a bigot...I don't want their support." But one disgruntled Populist told *The Monitor*, "If that's true, then Gritz better clean out his campaign machinery from the top to the bottom. Bo can't claim he didn't know."

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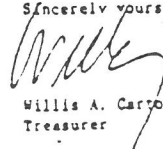
Dear Bo,

I have just read the shocking item in the November issue of the "Populist Observer" wherein you are allegedly quoted accusing me of various crimes, including criminal activity.

I cannot believe that you have been accurately quoted not only because the writer of this filth is Don Wassall, a documented liar, but also because I have always considered you to embody the virtues of a combat soldier, which I know so well, to be a dependable man of integrity who spoke the truth because you know what you are talking about and if you didn't know the facts, would find out, and because you are more intelligent than to deliberately make an enemy out of one who has always genuinely, openly and honestly supported you in every possible way.

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I am sending you this via certified return-receipt to be sure that it does not go astray. Please let me hear from you immediately.

Sincerely yours,  
  
 Willis A. Carto  
 Treasurer

P.S. I enclose a partial listing of lies in Wassall's attack.

# Right-wing conspiracists make inroads into left

By CHIP BERLET

Dana Pierce (a pseudonym), a San Francisco Bay Area resident, was seeking more knowledge after protesting the Persian Gulf war. In July, Pierce was invited to join a Marin County study group on George Bush and the New World Order.

At the meeting, Pierce found that the group was studying history and political science, including material by Noam Chomsky. Participants explained that the group had formed after several core members had heard commentator Craig B. Hulet's speeches attacking U.S. policy in the Gulf, primarily on radio station KPFA, both in live interviews and on tape. Some people had seen Hulet on videotape. They had responded to Hulet's call for people to educate themselves by forming the study group.

The group, consisting of about 30 to 40 people, had met about four times before. During the meeting, they watched a videotape of author Eustace Mullins talking about the sinister aspects of the Federal Reserve system. As the tape progressed, Pierce became increasingly uneasy.

"Mullins was jumping back and forth, claiming bunkers supported both the Bolshevik revolution and the Nazis. He praised the right-wing Hunt brothers, and then began to mention the Rothschild family," recalls Pierce. "He said the CIA was part of the plot, and William F. Buckley is CIA, which was why some conservative groups dismissed his theories. All the while I watched people smiling and nodding their heads and I began to wonder if I was the only one to catch the reference to the Rothschilds and wondered if I was being oversensitive because I was Jewish."

Pierce went to the library to read about anti-Semitism and discovered that Mullins' conspiracy theories echoed standard anti-Jewish claims. Pieces of the puzzle began to fall into place.

During the past year, several progressive radio stations, including KPFA in San Francisco and KPFA in Los Angeles, have aired compelling condemnations of the Gulf war produced by Hulet (also known as K.C. DePass), a Seattle-area analyst and critic of government policies. The study group was one of several formed in California following his radio and personal appearances.

Hulet, who draws from both left and right sources and perspectives, has sparked a political movement in California that according to persons attending the meetings is feeding scores, perhaps hundreds, of political activists into a far-right, racist and anti-Jewish political organizing drive supporting the presidential campaign of Col. James "Bo" Gritz of the Populist Party. The quasi-Nazi Liberty Lobby, publisher of the weekly newspaper *Spotlight*, is the leading organizational force behind the party (*Guardian*, July 31). Erstwhile Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke was its 1988 presidential candidate.

Ultra-right political groups have announced they are seeking to recruit support for Gritz (rhymes with "fights") from the left. Gritz, a decorated Vietnam War veteran, led a 1982 raid on Laos to search for alleged American POWs. But he has attracted attention from some persons on the left who share his opposition to Reagan-Bush policies, foreign military adventures, covert action and connections between CIA contacts and drug smugglers.

The call for the left-right coalition apparently first surfaced publicly at the Freedom Call '90 conference held in Las Vegas in July 1990. Speakers at that conference included Gritz and Mullins, as well as: Father Bill Davis of the Christic Institute; John Stockwell, an ex-CIA official turned critic of the agency; and Barbara Honigger, author of "October Surprise." The actual coalition-building began after the Gulf war, which many far-right factions opposed.

Gritz told a July meeting in Palo Alto, Calif., that they should reach out and attempt to recruit persons from the left. He recently included attorney Danny Sheehan of the Christic Institute in his privately distributed videotape program that criticized the Reagan and Bush administrations' intelligence and drug policies.

## KUWAITI PLOT THEORY

Hulet is the right-wing figure who has gained the most credibility on the left. Pierce, who first heard him speak to about 100 people in San Francisco in July, describes him as "a glib speaker."

"He presents concerns many people on the left have about the Bush administration and how there is no effective congressional oversight," Pierce said. "I can listen to him and agree he is focused on some real problems in this country. He discusses issues

succinctly and in ways that people can follow. If I had just gone to hear him I probably would have been quite taken with him, but in the context of the first meeting, I listened with skepticism, and am worried."

Hulet has a smooth style and self-confident tone, but in essence, his analysis reflects a cynical right-wing libertarian perspective laced with conspiratorial theories. His Gulf war analysis boils down to an assertion that Kuwait's ruling Al Sabah family dictated U.S. policy in the Gulf war in concert with ruling financial elites in the U.S. According to Hulet, the Al Sabahs could do this because they controlled vast financial holdings in the U.S. and they threatened to withdraw those holdings and collapse the U.S. economy unless the U.S. pushed Iraq out of Kuwait.

In a July interview, Hulet claimed that his theories have no relation to conspiracist theories such as those circulated by the John Birch Society, and he is quick to distance himself from the racialist and anti-Jewish theories of far-right groups such as Liberty Lobby. Still, his analysis, which exaggerates the role of the Al Sabah family in world affairs, has many of the hallmarks of other conspiracist theories that reduce complex issues to simple equations; and it seems to scapegoat one family of Arabs, albeit one with powerful financial holdings, in a way that would be equally unacceptable if their name was Rothschild rather than Al Sabah. No matter what his actual affiliations, Hulet's ideas are essentially a variation on the Birchers' elite financial insider conspiracy.

## 'THE ENEMY IS OUR GOVERNMENT'

It is also worth considering that Hulet was listed in a 1986 *Spotlight* advertisement as a speaker at a day-long seminar with ultra-rightist Australian Eric D. Butler and pro-apartheid writer Ivor Benson, a notorious anti-Semite. Both men are leading theorists affiliated with Liberty Lobby. Also on the 1986 panel was rightist newsletter editor Lawrence Patterson, recently named to the Liberty Lobby PAC, and David Irving, an author who suggests the Holocaust was a Jewish hoax.

*After the Gulf war, which many far-right factions opposed, the Populist Party presidential candidate said they should recruit from the left.*

Repeated attempts to interview Hulet regarding this meeting and the California study groups, including a visit to his hometown of Everett, Wash., were brushed off by his wife, Kathleen DePass Hulet, who handles his publicity from a frame shop in the Seattle suburb.

One clear instance where Hulet labels as fact material from a questionable source is his reliance on the book "Report from Iron Mountain." Hulet refers to the work as if it were a secret government document. In fact, it is an allegorical critique of the pro-militarist lobby and an excellent philosophical discussion of the errors of the Cold War. It was produced by Leonard C. Lewin, described on the book jacket as a "critic and satirist" who was editor of "A Treasury of American Political Humor." Apparently Hulet didn't get the joke.

Hulet also plows the ground of left-right coalition. On one radio interview, he said the problem with third parties in the U.S. "is that they are such a tiny, tiny minority of the intelligentsia. Many of them, like the Libertarian Party, are splintered between factions. They are fighting amongst themselves. They still see it as a left-wing/right-wing dialectic that they must oppose. And all I'm trying to make very clear to the American people, including the ones that read all the right books, is that the enemy is our government."

Hulet recommends Antony C. Sutton's research on the Trilateral Commission, a group of U.S., European and Japanese corporate and governmental officials that is a common bugaboo of conspiracy theorists. Sutton, a far-right theorist who publishes the Phoenix Letter: A Report on the Abuse of Power and Future Technology Intelligence Report, asserts that various government and political operatives, controlled by international bankers, have suppressed the technology to control the weather, produce free energy, and achieve "Acoustical Levitation." In Future Technology, he wrote that "without political intervention cancer would have been cured decades ago." He

also reports on "possible advanced alien technology" including anti-gravity devices recovered from UFOs by the U.S. government. When Hulet was asked why he would put forward Sutton as someone to prove his thesis, he replied that it was a choice between Sutton and Holly Sklar, and he considered Sklar a Marxist. This says much about the political milieu from which Hulet is emerging.

Sklar, who has written progressive critiques of the Trilateralists, warns anti-war activists that "there is a big difference between understanding the influence of the Trilateral Commission on world affairs and the paranoid right-wing fantasy that the Trilateralists and their allies are an omnipotent cabal controlling the world. It's important for people to base their political decisions on facts, not lazy catch-all conspiracy theories."

### OVERBLOWN CLAIMS

Journalist David Barsamian, who interviewed Hulet for a Boulder, Colo., radio station (rebroadcast on numerous stations nationwide as part of his Alternative Radio series), is troubled by Hulet's apparent claim that the Kuwaiti royal family control of \$300 billion in U.S. investments was the key issue in prompting the Gulf war. Barsamian and other progressive researchers and journalists have been unable to document some of Hulet's claims, which may represent legitimate suppositions, but which Hulet presented as facts in numerous radio interviews. (Most newspapers and financial reporting services estimate Kuwaiti investments in the United States at between \$30 and \$50 billion, with a low of \$15 billion and a high of \$80 billion in current documented mainstream and alternative press accounts).

Hulet argues that the integrity of his research should not be judged on the basis of radio interviews where discussions are often hectic and condensed. On the other hand, he gained his influence as a Gulf war critic and his largest audience through radio talk shows. The Open Magazine pamphlet series reproduced the transcript of Barsamian's interview and quickly sold out 1,000 copies—far less than other pamphlets by Noam Chomsky, Helen Caldicott and John Stockwell, according to Open co-owner Stuart Sahulka.

Open discontinued the Hulet pamphlet after it sold out, Sahulka said. He said the series published it because there was "such an overpressing need for information about the war" and that except for exaggerating the amount of Kuwaiti investment in the U.S., it seemed accurate.

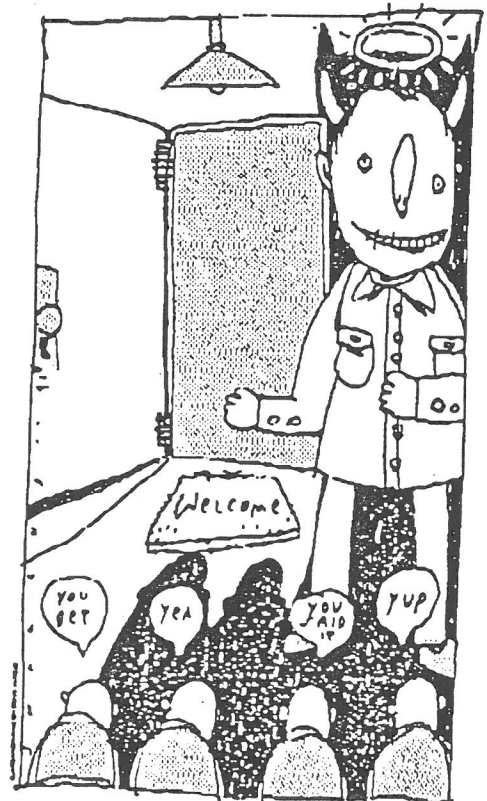
Barsamian warns progressives of falling for "left guruism," where sensational anti-government theories are accepted without any independent critical analysis. He notes that during the Gulf crisis Hulet was elevated to expert status by progressives who didn't seriously examine his credentials, which he sometimes inflates.

For instance, one Hulet brochure describes him as a "Published columnist and political cartoonist. Articles frequently appear in national publications: Financial Security Digest, International Combat Arms, Seattle Times, LA Weekly, San Francisco Examiner, Oakland Tribune and more." The phrasing suggests he has written for the latter four publications, but he

admits those cites actually refer to instances when he was quoted or his research used in preparing the article.

"People want so much to believe in him they don't want to hear any criticism," says Pierce. "I saw how people can hear Hulet and then be led to Mullins. If you look at the origins of anti-Semitism described by Hannah Arendt, you can see how a self-confident person who provides simple explanations can offer comfort to people who sense that something is wrong with our society and that they are being lied to, which is true. But it was scary to see how easily people were then led into accepting the scapegoating of Jews and the other conspiracy theories discussed by Eustace Mullins on the videotape. At first I thought there was something wrong with me, but now I think there is a serious problem that people on the left need to talk about."

Chip Berlet, an analyst at Political Research Associates, has written about government intelligence abuse and right-wing movements for 20 years. He is currently writing a report on fascist overtures to the political left.





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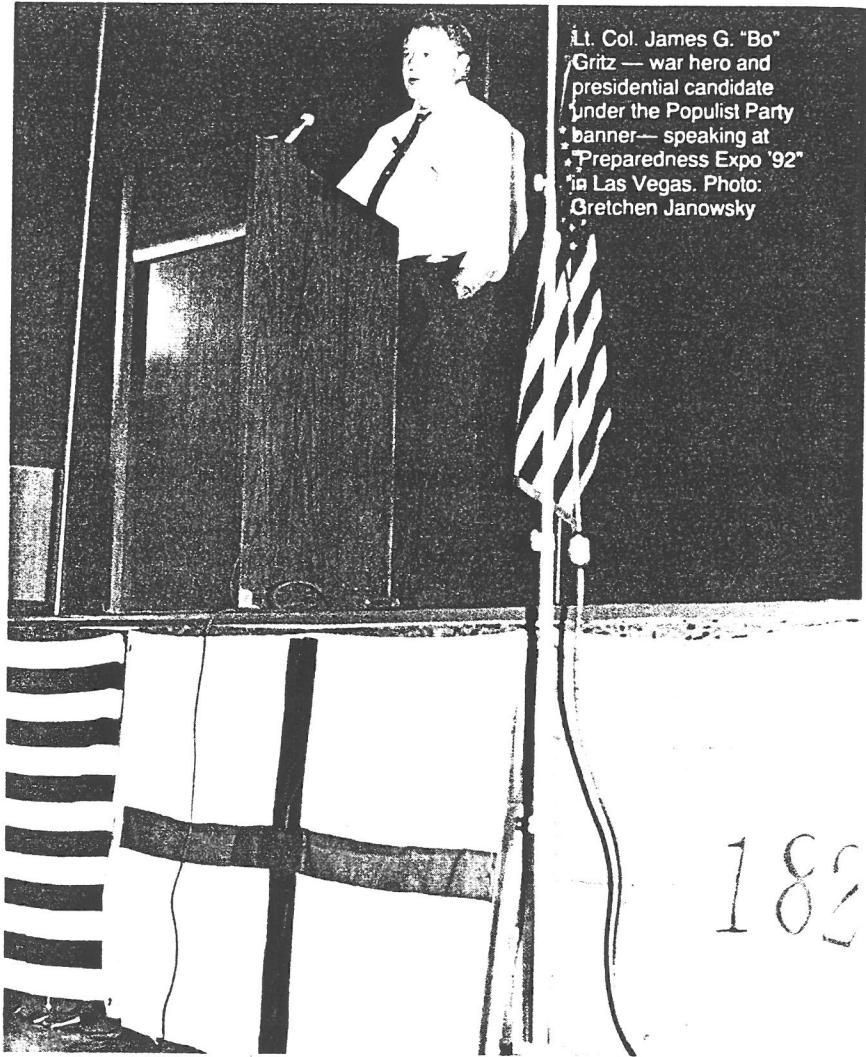


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## Klansmen, Christics, Clowns And Gritz's Populist Party

by Jim Pate



Lt. Col. James G. "Bo" Gritz — war hero and presidential candidate under the Populist Party banner— speaking at "Preparedness Expo '92" in Las Vegas. Photo: Gretchen Janowsky

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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Due to numerous phone calls and letters asking about the Populist Party and its 1992 presidential candidate, retired Army Lieutenant Colonel James G. "Bo" Gritz, Soldier Of Fortune decided an in-depth look at Gritz's campaign was in order.

**W**hen the curtain fell on James G. "Bo" Gritz's "Freedom Call '90" forum in Las Vegas, political observers scratched their heads in wonder. A politically surreal assemblage, it had come off to some observers as guerrilla theater of the ideologically absurd, an anomalous political sideshow.

The philosophical spectrum of speakers was hardly less remarkable than if the late Senator Joe McCarthy and longtime U.S. Communist Party leader Gus Hall were to be united in a political alliance — imagine Fidel Castro speaking at a Jesse Helms fund-raiser.

Left: In 1983, Bo was a major player in POW/MIA rescue schemes; today his ambitions have broadened.

With the noted Vietnam special-operations warrior as ringmaster, center ring in Vegas included Eustace Mullins, a Hitler apologist and one of the nation's most virulent anti-Semites. His theory of a global financial conspiracy by certain wealthy Jewish families allegedly controlling the Federal Reserve System was available on videotape and being promoted by such lefty organizations as the Christic Institute, Prevailing Winds Research, and Pacifica Radio.

Also on the program was former Reagan administration staffer Barbara Honneger, whose book *October Surprise* alleges the Reagan campaign deliberately delayed release of U.S. hostages in Iran for political gain. Other notables included John Stockwell, the highest-ranking CIA officer-turned-critic, and also noted peacenik Father Bill Davis, a founder of the Christic Institute.

### Strange Bedfellows Wearing Sheets

Politics *does* make strange bedfellows. Some of them apparently were already wearing sheets when they hopped in the sack with their Populist Party comrades.

Sponsored by his Nevada-based Center for Action, Gritz said Freedom Call '90's speaker and topic choices resulted from 2,500 questionnaires sent to "patriotic groups." The July 1990 conference ultimately became a springboard for Gritz's presidential candidacy under the banner of the Populist Party, described in the March 1992 issue of *Reader's Digest* as "a haven for neo-Nazis, ex-Klansmen and followers of veteran anti-Semite Willis Carto."

While acknowledging Carto's pivotal role in resurrecting the Populist Party in 1984 under the auspices of the right-wing extremist Liberty Lobby and its publication, *The Spotlight*, Gritz noted in a recent interview that a great gulf now exists between Carto and the Populist Party.

*Reader's Digest's* characterization is unfair, Gritz said, adding that following David Duke's 1988 bid as the Populist Party's presidential candidate, the party ranks were purged of members having Ku Klux Klan and neo-Nazi backgrounds.

Gritz, who has two Amerasian children, renounced any racist beliefs on the part of his party. "If you've been in combat and you've huddled in peril with all races and all creeds ... you know what equal opportunity is," he said.

Still, Gritz's forum seems to reflect a bizarre political alliance between the right and left, one disturbingly reminiscent of partnerships made in the years following World War I, when both German Nazis and Italian fascists forged ties with labor unions, socialists and left-wing groups to seize political power.

Former CIA officer Stockwell, who said he "met Gritz there on stage [and] came away greatly unimpressed," added later that he neither endorses Gritz nor the Populist Party. And Father Davis, who

walked out during remarks by Mullins, said his own appearance should not be construed as an endorsement, either.

Apparently embarrassed by the ties to Gritz's campaign, Sara Nelson, national director of the Christic Institute, finally wrote in November that the alleged affiliations of the Populist Party with Klansmen and neo-Nazis, "if true, are extremely serious ... the Institute's former relationship with Bo Gritz [was] a mistake." Nelson attributed the association to "our ignorance of Bo Gritz's extremist connections."

The Populist Party's earlier connections to the Klan, neo-Nazis and other racist groups have left Nelson, Davis and Daniel P. Sheehan, the Christic Institute's best-known crusader, all looking badly duped by the old special ops commando.

These matters have also drawn criticism against the Christic Institute (usually one of the standard-bearers for liberal causes) from such organizations as People Against Racist Terror, and also from Political Research Associates, which specializes in tracking right-wing political movements. Both organizations faulted the Christics for not stridently renouncing Gritz and his campaign.

In a brief telephone interview with *Soldier Of Fortune* — one he cut short when asked about his cooperation with Gritz and the Populist Party — Sheehan equivocated and then fell silent.

### Populists Unite

Gritz's quest for a cross-ideological pollination to help his political ambitions blossom was clearly stated in the June 1991 issue of *The Populist Observer*, where he called upon "you as Republican, Democrat, Libertarian, independent, right, left, conservative, liberal ... to UNITE AS POPULISTS!" (emphasis in the original).

Gritz and other Populist Party supporters had already infiltrated the left-wing lecture circuit, especially on the West Coast, primarily under the auspices of Prevailing Winds Research, a group from Santa Clara, California, closely allied with the Christic Institute.

The Populists got generous airtime from the Pacifica Radio Network affiliate stations KPFK in Los Angeles, KPFA in Berkeley and KBOO in Portland.

Prevailing Winds helped promote many personal appearances and radio speeches by Gritz, including a three-hour talk to the Santa Barbara City College Political Awareness Club on 12 May 1991. Prevailing Winds has also published endorsements of Gritz's Center for Action, located in Sandy Valley, Nevada.

"We go wherever we're invited," Gritz told *SOF*. "If the Black Panthers invited

me, I'd go. If the Jewish Defense League invited me, I'd go. Because my message is the same, and if you're an American you need to hear it ... but the Populist Party is soundly against ... Ku Klux Klan and neo-Nazi beliefs ..."

Gritz's message calls for abolition of the Federal Reserve System, the income tax and the Internal Revenue Service; he staunchly opposes President Bush's New World Order concept, and he wants a return to states' rights in legislating such

concerns as abortion, pornography, homosexuality and similar issues. Conspiracy theories are also referred to by Gritz, who alleges U.S. government involvement in drug smuggling and other crimes (such as President Kennedy's assassination), and that the AIDS virus was hatched in a U.S. government laboratory.

Gritz's Center for Action has promoted Christic Institute and Prevailing Winds Research causes, as well as Mullins' arguments against the Federal Reserve. In many of his speeches across the country, Gritz cites Christic condemnation of the Iran-Contra affair and especially former Marine Lieutenant Colonel Oliver North's involvement.

According to a February 1992 report by Political Research Associates of Cambridge, Massachusetts, Gritz also often implies a friendly working relationship between himself and key Christic figures, especially Sheehan. "Sheehan is featured in a privately distributed videotape program focusing on Gritz's research, which alleges high-level conspiracies by the Reagan and Bush administrations' intelligence communities to smuggle drugs," according to the report, written by Chip Berlet.

These conspiracy theories provided



Gritz claims support from Daniel Sheehan, honcho in the leftist Christic Institute, but Sheehan seemed somewhat nonplussed to find himself in league with neo-Nazis and Klan members supporting Gritz's candidacy. Photo: AP/Wide World



much of the common ground on which the right and left got together. And "the right's attempt to influence and recruit the left became highly visible during the Gulf War." Berlet wrote. "As the movement against the war in the Middle East began to grow, a handful of far-right and anti-Jewish groups began to seek alliances with liberal, progressive and leftist anti-war coalitions."

### Conspiracies Everywhere

"As the far right made overtures to the left, some of the classic conspiracy theories of the far right began to creep into progressive and even mainstream analyses of foreign policy and domestic repression," Berlet wrote. "An audience was created ... through public speaking, radio interviews, sales of audio tapes and published articles."

Berlet's report, which cautioned that the Liberty Lobby and the Populist Party are "separate and distinct from traditional

supply through coining unlimited amounts of silver; it sought government ownership of the railroads and phone companies.

Carto's 1984 reincarnation claimed lineage from the 19th-century populist movement, a claim Gritz also makes. But except for some superficial similarities, the modern incarnation has more in common in its organizational history with bed-sheeted night riders — its founders have political backgrounds that belie the egalitarian aura that a name like "populist" might suggest.

Gritz said the extremist tilt was more recent, stating that "when David Duke came on in 1988 ... it was like taking a perfectly good container and dumping it full of garbage ... I will not cooperate with any bigoted state group." He added that each state Populist group is autonomous. The Populist Party's Florida chapter is one such group Gritz has disavowed because of its refusal to admit non-white members.

separating mainstream American politics from extremism."

It was through the Liberty Lobby, *The Spotlight* and Carto's mailing list that national constituency was created for former Nazi and Klansman David Duke according to Berlet's report.

An article, "David Duke: Racial Politics for Profit," in the March 1992 issue of *Reader's Digest* said the 47,047 votes Duke won in 1988 were financed largely from campaign funds raised using Carto's mailing list of more than 100,000 names, many being "members of extremist groups ranging from Liberty Lobby to ... various Klan groups."

Gritz was Duke's initial running mate for vice president in the Populist Party's 1988 campaign. Duke's recent past as grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan became the prominent issue, though, and Gritz resigned from the Populist ticket to unsuccessfully seek the Republican nomination for a Nevada congressional race.

Yet Gritz continues to associate with people of questionable intent. Mullins is a good example.

"People call Eustace Mullins anti-Semitic," Gritz noted. "But all he does is name the owners of the Federal Reserve. And they happen to be people who are Jewish. I know him fairly well. What he talks about on the tape we sell is the Federal Reserve. He's done more research than probably anyone else and wrote a book called *Secrets of the Federal Reserve*."

Mullins has authored another book: *The Biological Jew*. Some passages from the book: which might be construed as offensive to people of Jewish ancestry, suggest that Gritz's uncertainty about Mullins is naive at best. "Throughout history we find the Jew entwined about the reproductive organs of the Gentile host," Mullins wrote in this book, "like a parasitic vine which is slowly strangling a healthy tree."

Gritz also said he does not know Jerry Pope, chairman of Kentucky's Populist Party. Pope was once a prominent figure in the National States Rights Party founded by racist J.B. Stoner, who was imprisoned for the deaths of black children in the bombing of a Sunday school class in Birmingham, Alabama.

If Gritz doesn't know Pope, it's interesting, because they both were members of the Liberty Lobby's Populist Action Committee in 1991, according to Political Research Associates. Another member of this committee that Gritz claimed he does not know is Robert H. Weems Jr., the first national chairman of the Populist Party and a former state leader of the Ku Klux Klan in Mississippi.

Gritz's campaign has at times taken on a distinctly militaristic air. Populist Party campaign workers were at a Phoenix gun show in February, wearing guns and camouflage clothing, collecting money for Gritz under the auspices of the We The People Society, a Phoenix group. In Popu-



David Duke during a trip to London in 1978. Gritz claimed Duke's membership in the Populist Party was old news, adding he will not cooperate with any bigoted state Populist organization. Photo: AP/Wide World

conservatism," noted the Christics' West Coast office sells *The Guns and Drugs Reader*, edited by Prevailing Winds and prominently featuring material written by Gritz. Ironically, no other news medium has given more coverage to Gritz's candidacy and his right-wing allies than Pacifica Radio Network, noted for its left-wing slant on the news.

The Populist Party resurrected in 1984 is not your great-grandfather's Populist Party (see sidebar). The original Populist Party was a largely rural coalition of farmers and the working class that gained national power a century ago. It opposed the rapid economic changes then taking place and called for an increase in the money

"They're on their own," Gritz said. "We've been trying to dump Duke's people. Today, David Duke is a Republican. Why aren't they tarring George Bush with that brush?"

### Racists And Anti-Semites

But Populist Party ties to the Ku Klux Klan and neo-Nazis go back to its resurrection in 1984. Launched by Carto's Liberty Lobby newspaper, *The Spotlight*, today's Populist Party is described by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith as "the most professional and successful anti-Jewish propaganda organization in the United States ... a contemporary Trojan Horse, a plot to breach the boundaries

## THE POPULIST PARTY: A POLITICAL TROJAN HORSE

Whatever its ideology may be today, the contemporary history of the Populist Party cannot be understood without knowing the political history of its founders, most notably Willis A. Carto.

Carto's documented political affiliations began in 1954, when he was a full-time secretary for an anti-Jewish group called Liberty and Property. The next year, Carto began soliciting support for the Joint Council for Repatriation, a back-to-Africa movement for blacks, which Carto said he hoped would prevent what he described as "the inevitable 'niggerfication' of America."

In 1960, Carto met Nazi philosopher Francis Parker Yockey, author of *Imperium*, a postwar *Mein Kampf*. Yockey soon thereafter hung himself while jailed in San Francisco, but Carto organized Noontide Press to finally publish Yockey's book in 1962. In his introduction to Yockey's book, Carto dedicated it to "the hero of the Second World War," which in the context of the book clearly meant Adolf Hitler.

According to William Turner, an ex-FBI agent who wrote *Power of the Right*, Carto was already predisposed to Nazi beliefs when he met Yockey, but the latter helped him form a more focused approach to future political activities. It was then that Carto began to be more careful in compartmentalizing his more-overtly pro-Nazi projects from the many political front organizations he would later establish.

He had formed the Liberty Lobby in 1958, which in the early 1960s was still considered just another conservative action group. Carto traveled in Republican Party circles and volunteered for Barry Goldwater's campaign in 1964. He broke with the Republican Party in

1968, when he climbed aboard the George Wallace presidential bandwagon.

Through the 1970s, the Liberty Lobby was emerging as a distinctly anti-Semitic, pro-Nazi group. By the 1980s, Carto and his Liberty Lobby newspaper *The Spotlight* were attacking both the Reagan and Bush administrations as pawns of "international Jewry" who, in Carto's words, "diligently avoid controversy in regard to Zionism, race, money and banking, and Trilateralism."

In Carto's mind, international Jewish bankers are enemies of Western civilization, bent on destroying white society through their alleged control of capitalist and communist political and economic systems. He blames them for both world wars, and for sending a "non-white" flood to destroy the United States.

Carto went on to found the Institute for Historical Review, a revisionist propaganda organization that conducts "research" tending to cast doubt on the extent or even the occurrence of the Holocaust.

It was in *The Spotlight* that Carto's followers in the Liberty Lobby began promoting the idea of resurrecting a Populist Party in 1983. The 10 December 1984 issue of *The Spotlight* even offered local Populist Party chapters a 50% commission on its annual \$30 subscription price in order to expand the party.

The first Populist Party convention drew about 600 people to Nashville, Tennessee, in August 1984. Each person paid \$35 to register, which made him or her a voting delegate. No non-whites attended. Robert H. Weems Jr., a Ku Klux Klan leader in Mississippi, was elected as the party's first national chairman.

— J. P.

list Party brochures, Gritz wears his medal-covered uniform. But in a pamphlet of the America First Coalition, Gritz appears the more conventional politician, in a coat and tie.

The America First Coalition is an amalgam of seven political parties, an attempt to increase the Populist Party currency under a host of names. The Populist Party itself will be on the ballot in only about 12 states, Gritz said. But he is on the ballot in other states under the auspices of such varied groups as the Independent Voters Alliance, the Alaskan Independence Party, the Constitutional Party and others.

Gritz also has had curious connections to the religious right. He confirmed his appearance as an invited speaker at Rocky



John Stockwell, former CIA officer turned government critic, met Gritz at Freedom Call '90 in Las Vegas and came away "greatly unimpressed." Photo: AP/Wide World

Mountain Bible retreats held by the Reverend Pete Peters, one of the most vocal proponents in the white-Christian identity movement. This persuasion preaches that those of white European ancestry are God's "chosen people," that Jews are "Satan spawn" and that non-whites are "pre-Adamic," or "mud races."

Peters has also provided funding assistance for distribution of Gritz's *Called to Serve* campaign biography, which has also been circulated with the help of the Christic Institute and Prevailing Winds Research. Peters has aired Gritz speeches on his con-

troversial Christian radio show.

Gritz recently said he and Peters have parted ways, and that Peters urges his followers not to support Gritz because, according to Gritz: "I will not support the persecution of homosexuals ... I've had hundreds of letters saying, 'Bo, how can you be so patriotic and not be willing to kill queers?' I don't support homosexuality. I'm a Christian. But I don't think they should be persecuted."

While at one of Peters' Bible retreats, Gritz said he also met with Colonel Jack Mohr. Mohr's sympathies for the Klan and neo-Nazis are well documented. It was Mohr's humiliation by Denver radio talk-show host Alan Berg that led to Berg's assassination by The Order, or *Bruders Schweigen*, a violent offshoot of Aryan Nations, whose founders Richard Mathews and David Lane met at Peters' church in La Porte, Colorado.

Gritz has also spoken to less-provocative groups, such as a convention of the Coalition for Tax and Money Reform in Denver in August 1991. According to a report of Gritz's speech published in *The Denver Post*, Gritz predicted the United States will have a cashless society by 1994, adding that by 1995, "we will have to kneel before the 'new world order.'"

Vowing that, if elected, he would govern the United States "as a Christian nation," Gritz said that "if I win this election, it's Armageddon time." He continued, according to the *Post*, "I believe our job is to identify and weed this garden until the King [Jesus] comes to claim it ... what I do best is cause train wrecks. And I'm going to cause a new-world-order derailment."

Gritz's reputation as a riveting speaker is well deserved; his ego is legendary and his charisma has led many well-intentioned people to follow him on all sorts of exotic and sometimes quixotic quests. From heroic missions as a Special Forces commander of Vietnamese indigenous forces in the 1960s (when he became the Vietnam War's most-decorated Green Beret officer), to POW/MIA activism and eventual entry into politics in the 1980s, Gritz has always been 101% self-confident, unpredictable, sometimes flamboyant — and messianic in his conviction that his is a divinely mandated leadership.

### Spiritual World Of Warriors

"I've heard him talk about a spiritual world of warriors," said James P. Monaghan, who served with Gritz in special operations in Vietnam. "He's convinced he's been ordained, reincarnated and sent back to Earth to form this mystical warrior society."

Gritz retired from active duty with a reputation for enormous physical strength, unflinching courage and immense energy; he was "something of a wizard in small-unit, unconventional warfare tactics and

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## BO GRITZ

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jungle operations," wrote retired U.S. Army Col. Alex McColl, formerly of MACV-SOG and a *Soldier Of Fortune* Contributing Editor.

Unfortunately for Gritz and his troop of true Bo-believers, his Pied Piper tactics since retirement have not been uniformly professional — sometimes not even competent. For instance, on one of his forays into Laos looking for POWs, he led 11 men into the jungle armed only with three semiautomatic UZIs.

Monaghan had been initially invited to join Gritz's POW rescue effort, but like several other former Green Berets, he bailed out early when Gritz's judgment came into question.

"From start to finish, it was a pipe dream," Monaghan recalled. "He's not able to always differentiate between fact and fiction ... preferring to live in a fantasy world. He believes whatever he's into at the moment. And to that end, he will associate with anyone who will listen and give him the adulation he thinks he deserves."

**"I'm not a front man for anybody — I will never be used by anybody."**

"His troops [in Vietnam] worshipped him," maintained Howard Stevens, a former Green Beret comrade-in-arms. "I think the world of Bo. But sometimes I think he's a 54-year-old kid looking for another war to fight. I can't believe he'd affiliate himself with some of these people."

There are examples of Bo deliberately misleading his public. On 29 May 1981, in a speech at a Vietnam veterans' luncheon at the Statler Hotel in Buffalo, New York, Gritz described his personal participation in a special-operations team mission in Vietnam where Staff Sergeant George Hoaglund was severely wounded and, according to Gritz, committed suicide to relieve the other members of the team from the burden of trying to get him out. It's a good story, except for two things: Gritz was *not* present during the action in which Hoaglund was killed, and Hoaglund did not kill himself.

Populist Party campaign literature contains some Gritz stretches. In numerous brochures, Gritz claims he was cited by General William Westmoreland as "the American soldier" of the Vietnam War in Westmoreland's book, *A Soldier Reports*.

But a review of the general's book reveals only that Gritz was described as "daring," and that Westmoreland characterized Gritz's special ops exploits as "unusual." Westmoreland did praise Gritz's Cambodian forces on their amazing recovery of a flight recorder from a U-2 spy plane shot down inside enemy territory, and he noted Gritz's successful struggle to take the 3,200-foot Nui Ba Den mountain near Tay Ninh City.

However, in Gritz's version of the black box's recovery, the team ambushed an enemy force, then interrogated a prisoner who led them to a base camp which they stormed, taking back the black box. Yet other members of the team say none of these things happened: They say Gritz just happened, by blind luck and coincidence, to find the black box in the brush.

In an *SOF* interview for this article, Westmoreland said Gritz had taken a phrase from the book out of context. "The American soldier" was merely the name of one chapter and was "no reference to him [Gritz] at all. It was about many men, the typical American soldier."

Despite contrary facts, Gritz told *SOF* he was "not seeking alliances with anyone ... I have no relationship with the Christic Institute and never have had a relationship with the Christic Institute."

"My campaign is very simple," Gritz said. "I'm for the Constitution. I'm grassroots ... I do not believe that we're going to be voting as Americans in 1996 unless we restore our constitutional government. And we're not going to do that as 'Republicrats,' which is one party with two names when it reaches the presidential level. If we don't vote in 1992, by 1996 we may be defending what few rights we have with bullets."

"Everything comes out of Rockefeller," he added. "It's all part of the Council on Foreign Relations, the Trilateral Commission — it's all globalist. George Bush is the ballcarrier and he's got it on the 1-yard line, and it's first and goal — we've got to stop them now."

As for Ross Perot, Gritz said, "Anyone that would support Perot right now, the way he stands, would buy a pig in a poke." Gritz remains convinced that he will emerge victorious in November.

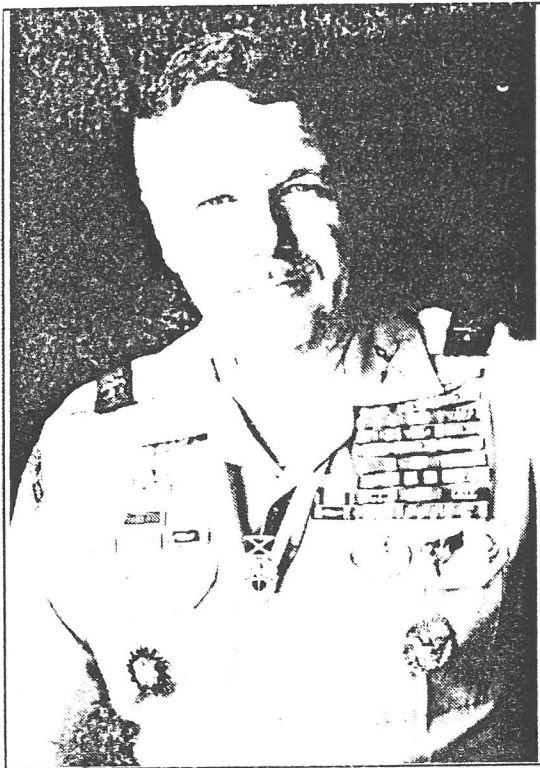
"My candidacy will catch fire in September or October, when the media wakes up to discover that I am on the ballot in enough states to win the election," Gritz said. "And when I get my 15 seconds of national television time, I believe my statements will be a patriotic testimony to 250 million Americans — they will determine that it's true."

"Because I'm not a front man for anybody," he said. "I will never be used by anybody."

*Former Associate Editor Jim Pate remains a frequent contributor to Soldier Of Fortune.* ☒

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### THE COLONEL'S CORNER 7 FEDERAL AGENTS MURDER WIFE, SON OF RANDY WEAVER!

By Jerry Gillespie  
I am writing this part of the Colonel's Corner this month because Bo has been in Idaho, negotiating the release of Randy Weaver. I will give you the media report and then the truth directly as reported to me by Bo.

It started August the 24th when Bo was in Arizona making presentations in preparation for the petition drive to begin September 9. Numerous phone calls were received at my house requesting Bo's appearance in Idaho in behalf of Randy Weaver and his family. Dave Barley and Guy Roberts among others, were strongly urging Bo to come to Idaho where they felt Bo could help Randy, a fellow Vietnam era vet and Special Forces soldier, surrender so that more blood would not be spilt.

At Bo's request I started to make arrangements to leave for Idaho the next day. I notified Maurice Ellsworth, U.S. Attorney for Idaho and a personal friend, that Bo, Jack McLamb and I would be coming to Idaho because Bo felt he could help resolve this matter peacefully. It sounded strange to us when Ellsworth stated that he had no jurisdiction over

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**11002** — Empowers the Postmaster General to register all men, women and children in the United States.

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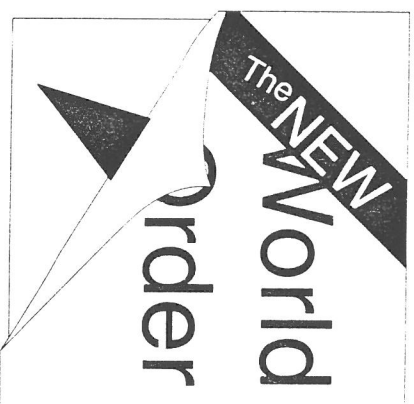
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# Executive Orders

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## What you should know

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*Executive Orders...*

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**11000** — Seizure of all American people for work forces under federal supervision, including the splitting up of families if the government has to.

**11001** — Seizure of all health, education and welfare, facilities both public and private.

# Executive Orders

What are Executive Orders? —

Executive Orders are laws established by United States Presidents. These laws are not passed by the Congress or the Senate, and create an end-run around the Constitution. These laws begin as Executive Orders which are simply printed in the Federal Register. After thirty days these orders become law and carry the full impact of any law passed by the United States Congress. These laws are unconstitutional because the Constitution does not afford any person the right to create laws by himself that negates the Constitution.

To understand just how this could all come about you need to open your eyes, your mind and your heart. What we have discovered is quite scary, very much unconstitutional and in every sense, acts of treason to the United States of America. There are individuals in this world, within this country, and in our own government who would like to rule the world, and they do believe that this is possible. They are and have been working towards this goal for decades. Some of the individuals caught up in this endeavor have been our very own elected officials. These power hungry individuals have corrupted our government and are working on sabotaging our freedom by destroying the Constitution of the United States, in order to establish the “New World Order” (a.k.a. “Global Community”).

To bring about this New World Order, and ultimately the single World Government, there are several things that must come about: All other forms of government throughout the world must cease to function and thus the countries would become bankrupt. Because the Constitution is a document that safeguards the sovereignty of our nation it must be destroyed. Because of the genuine threat of the American militia, the American people must be disarmed, and become addicted to the government hand-outs and thus become “*sheep*”.

The American people have become so accustomed to their freedom, and the constitutional safeguards afforded them, that they have paid little if any attention to what is and could be happening around them. The international establishment has planned this, and are working to use this weakness to erode our freedom and take control of the United States.

— The Declaration of Interdependence, supported by several of our elected officials, moves the United States of America closer to the mandates of the United Nations Charter.

— The U.S. has entered into many United Nations treaties (Genocide Treaty, Human Rights Treaty and Total Disarmament Treaty) that steal away our rights under the “Bill of Rights”. Despite the noble titles of these treaties, the truth of the motives of the U.N. become self-evident under the most fundamental scrutiny.

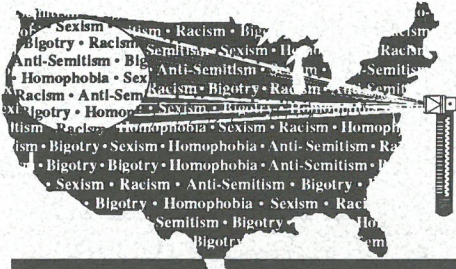
— The “War on Drugs” is the guise the Federal Government uses to legitimize the invoking of Martial Law tactics (under the Drug & Crime Emergency Act), while they continue to covertly import the drugs and weapons they claim to be fighting against. This guise conveniently facilitates the total disarmament of all weapons (public and private) as mandated by the United Nations.

— Without the complicity of the Federal Government, crime of this magnitude could not exist.

These Executive Orders, and other treasonous acts, establish the basis for the Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA). FEMA has the power to completely rule over the American people, any time the President should decide to declare Martial Law. If this should ever happen the Director of FEMA (an unelected official) has the authorization to enact all Executive Orders, giving him full dictatorial control over all of the United States, its resources, and its people. Martial Law suspends all prior or existing laws, functions, systems and programs of civil government, and replaces them with a military system. These systems include the courts, mail, sanitation, aviation, firefighting, police, agricultural services, health, education and welfare. The American people and all their belongings become chattel of FEMA, and the United Nations Peace Keeping Forces will be in absolute control of our country.

Sounds a bit preposterous, doesn't it? Yes, but there are those individuals who feel so secure in what they are doing to gain this control, that they have indeed set themselves above the law, or perverted the nature of the law into new laws to protect their conspiracy. Laws that are made in secrecy are a threat to each of us, and must be rescinded if we are to remain a free people. There is evidence of all of this if you would but ask and seek the truth.

**Refuse to be “Sheep” Become Informed**



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## Clean Sweep for Bigotry

**W**hen all of the votes were counted in the 29 June mail-in ballot, six of six anti-gay, anti-civil rights measures passed by margins ranging as wide as 46%. The measures, sponsored by the **Oregon Citizens Alliance**, were approved by voters in **Douglas, Josephine, Klamath and Linn Counties** and in the cities of **Canby and Junction City**.

The election was closest in the Lane County town of Junction City (population: 3,740), where the measure passed by a margin of only three votes, 631 to

628. The election was particularly divisive in Junction City where the OCA's **No Special Rights Committee** distributed propaganda linking homosexuals to the Nazi movement and where vehement OCA supporters brandished hand-lettered signs saying "Keep Private Practices From Becoming Public Policy" and "PRO-HETERO." At the other extreme Douglas County voters approved a similar measure by a margin of 21,633 to 7,812, the anti-gay position garnering more than 73% of votes cast.

### Election Results

County/City	Measure	YES	NO
Canby	Measure 3-2	1,961 (55.7%)	1,556 (44.3%)
	Measure 9	2,429 (54.3%)	2,048 (45.7%)
Junction City	Measure 20-01	631 (50.1%)	628 (49.9%)
	Measure 9	902 (55.1%)	735 (44.9%)
Douglas County	Measure 10-01	21,633 (73.5%)	7,812 (26.5%)
	Measure 9	27,356 (59.9%)	18,317 (40.1%)
	Measure 8	23,180 (61.2%)	14,720 (38.8%)
Josephine County	Measure 17-1	13,830 (60.8%)	8,923 (39.2%)
	Measure 9	19,544 (58.7%)	13,754 (41.3%)
	Measure 8	17,582 (65.3%)	9,323 (34.7%)
Klamath County	Measure 18-1	11,304 (65.9%)	5,856 (34.1%)
	Measure 9	16,229 (59.8%)	10,908 (40.2%)
Linn County	Measure 8	13,636 (61.2%)	8,630 (38.8%)
	Measure 22-01	18,197 (69%)	8,153 (31%)
Measure 9	YES	27,087 (60%)	18,090 (40%)
	Measure 8	YES	20,608 (59.4%)

*A comparison of results from the November 1992 anti-gay Measure 9, the 1988 OCA-sponsored Measure 8, which rescinded an executive order banning discrimination based on sexual orientation in public employment in the state of Oregon, and results from the most recent anti-gay initiatives.*



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## White Supremacists Organize Around Weaver Trial

As the jury deciding the murder-conspiracy trial of **Randy Weaver** and **Kevin Harris** enters its second week of deliberations, white supremacists continue their attempts to turn the trial into political collateral. The Naples, Idaho-based **United Citizens for Justice (UCJ)** leads the way, using the case in an attempt to build an image as a national organization confronting government human rights abuses.

Despite their noble-sounding name and statement of purpose, UCJ is led by and promotes the goals of known white supremacists. The May 1993 UCJ newsletter pushes a book titled *Martial Law Rule* by Oregon white supremacist **Robert Wangrud**. Wangrud heads up **Republic v. Democracy Redress** in Oregon City, Oregon, which promotes the idea that the 13th and 14th Amendments (abolishing slavery and granting citizenship to African-Americans, respectively) are invalid and America should become a white-ruled country.

“**The prosecution’s opposition to a new juror made it even more obvious that ZOG isn’t interested in a fair trial, they are only interested in vengeance and Jewish ritual murder.**”

—**Kim Badynski, Grand Dragon  
Northwest Knights of the Ku Klux Klan**

Articles in June issues of the *Spotlight* and the Christian Identity newspaper *The Jubilee* include comparisons between the Weaver incident and the Branch Davidian stand-off in Waco, Texas. The articles attempt to play on legitimate grievances in government handling of the cases in order to advance their own bigoted messages. **Kim Badynski**, Grand Dragon of the Northwest Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in a less sophisticated style, states on his hate

line that “The prosecution’s opposition to a new juror made it even more obvious that ZOG isn’t interested in a fair trial, they are only interested in vengeance and Jewish ritual murder.”

## United Citizens for Justice Takes Up Anti-Gay Banner

Veering from its stated purpose of supporting victims of government persecution, **United Citizens for Justice (UCJ)** has expanded into anti-gay bigotry. At its May, 1993 meeting near Bonners Ferry, Idaho, UCJ presented the video “**The Gay Agenda**,” touted in their monthly newsletter as “a 20 minute video tape exposing the agenda of the Gay and Lesbian Community.” The meeting, reportedly attended by about 70 people, also featured a discussion of the hiring practices of the United States Forest Service. In UCJ’s conspiratorial world view, “These new hiring practices are for—you guessed it—Gays, lesbians and bisexuals.”

The idea of a pro-gay hiring conspiracy and attacks on the so-called “gay agenda” promoted by UCJ appear to have been taken from a page of the **Oregon Citizens Alliance** and their anti-gay crusades of the past five years. It also parallels closely the anti-Semitic conspiracy theories promoted by neo-Nazis and white supremacists who have spoken at UCJ events and who comprise some of its core activists. Gays and lesbians, like Jews, are accused of inordinate government power and an agenda to undermine and destroy “family” and “American” values.

As anti-gay and lesbian campaigning has come to the center of the political debate across the country, many white supremacists have made it a cornerstone of their own propaganda. A 1992 booklet by Colorado Identity leader **Pete Peters** titled *Intolerance of, Discrimination Against and the Death Penalty for Homosexuals is Prescribed in the Bible* set the tone for many, providing organized racists with an elaborate rationalization for promoting the murder of homosexuals. Others pushing this idea have included Nebraska Identity leader **Ted Weiland** and Oregon-based leader

Richard Flowers, whose **Christian Patriot Association** donated \$250 to the anti-gay OCA-PAC in 1990.

Other white supremacist groups have also de-emphasized race in their *public* propaganda in order to focus on attacking gays and lesbians. Examples of this include the **Northwest United Skins** and the **Knights of the Ku Klux Klan** in Billings, Montana. Both have highlighted attacks on the Montana Human Rights Network and the Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment as part of a "pro-gay lobby." The use of anti-gay propaganda by far-right groups can be expected to increase during the Christian Right campaigns of 1994.

### Racist Skinheads Sentenced for Murder

A Portland racist skinhead was sentenced to 15 years in prison for the murder of a fellow racist skinhead last December near Garwood, in Northern Idaho. **Adam Tosh Elteto**, of Portland and **Timothy Biscope** both pled guilty to second degree murder in the shooting death of **Johnny Sharbnow**. Sharbnow was shot at least four times—twice in the back—after the three had been arguing on a remote logging road. Elteto and Biscope were both housed at the **Church of Jesus Christ Christian—Aryan Nations** compound in Hayden Lake, Idaho during the shooting. A fourth racist skinhead, **Tate Ford**, led police to the murder site and cooperated with the investigation and prosecution. Ford was sentenced to two years probation after pleading guilty to being an accessory to murder.

Elteto was well-known for his involvement in a number of clashes with Skinheads Against Racial Prejudice (SHARP) and Anti-Racist Action (ARA) in the Portland area. Elteto's brother, **Endre Sander Elteto**, was arrested for assault the night of April 27, 1990 when he was apparently party to a large racist skinhead attempt to storm an apartment housing members of SHARP and ARA.

Biscope is from the city of Calgary, in the mid-western province of Alberta, Canada and will be eligible for parole in four years.

### Christian Coalition in the Northwest

**Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition** is holding a series of leadership schools at various locales around the country. The schools are designed to train Christian Right activists in the techniques and tactics of lobbying and organizing. Northwest trainings have been held in **Boise, Idaho** (February 19 & 20, 1993) and **Seattle, Washington** (Feb. 26 & 27, 1993), and a third school is scheduled for October 15 & 16 in **Portland, Oregon**.

Materials distributed at the Boise training described the operational goals of the Christian Coalition by 1995 as follows:

- Membership of 900,000
- Annual income of \$12 million
- 25,000 leadership school graduates
- State-wide affiliate in every state
- Monthly circulation of *Christian American* of 2 million
- Television/radio spots reaching 15 million
- Voter guide distribution to 15 million people per election
- A fax and phone network in 250 Congressional districts
- A national headquarters in Washington, DC and lobbying offices in 30 state capitols.

The schedule for the two-day workshop included a session by national Field Director **Guy Rodgers** on the "Biblical Basis for Political Involvement," a training by Senator **Roger Madsen** (R-Idaho) on "Campaigns & Elections," a video titled "Positive Confrontation" which advised viewers to take active political steps as Christians but to avoid using biblical references as a basis of argument or propaganda, and an opening prayer by **Kelly Walton**, formerly with the **Oregon Citizens Alliance**, but now the head of the **Idaho Citizens Alliance (ICA)** and an **Idaho Christian Coalition (ICC)** activist.

**Nancy Bloomer**, head of the Idaho

### Focus On . . .

#### The OCA, Gays and the Nazi Movement

In its latest attempt to discredit its opposition and shrug off the label of bigotry, the **Oregon Citizens Alliance** has distributed a flier which links homosexuals to the German Nazi movement and suggests that gays and lesbians are the real fascists. The flier, distributed by the **No Special Rights Committee**, an OCA anti-gay political action committee, states: "Here are the Real Facts About Homosexuals and the Nazi Movement," and then lists the following points as proof of gay involvement with the Nazis:

- Many members of the **Sturmabteilung (SA)**, better known as "**Brown Shirts**," including the founder **Gerhard Rossback** and its most infamous leader, **Ernst Roehm**, were known to be homosexuals.
- **Ernst Roehm**, who was in command of the SA goon squads when Hitler came to power in 1933, was assassinated on Hitler's orders because of political differences, not because Roehm was homosexual.
- Many of the top leaders of the SA, including Ernst Roehm, were "notorious homosexuals" and the members of the organization "quarreled and feuded as only men of unnatural sexual inclinations, with their peculiar jealousies, can."

The source for this information, is listed as William Shirer's highly respected work *The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich* (Simon and Schuster: New York, 1960), but if the authors of the flier have read Shirer's book, the assertions made in the flier certainly do not reflect it.

Though the accusations begin with well known facts—Roehm, Rossback and others in the SA and the early Nazi movement were homosexuals—it immediately begins to mislead when it refers to the reason for the assassi-

## Focus On . . .

### Gays and the Nazi Movement (Continued)

nation of Roehm. Roehm was Hitler's closest friend and his hatchetman, doing the dirty work and leading the street fighters who helped bring Hitler to power. The SA was never a professional organization, and in Hitler's estimation would never be capable of fulfilling the special tasks of a genocidal, totalitarian state.

Roehm was assassinated in an internal party purge on June 30, 1934, known as the **Night of the Long Knives**. Although his homosexuality was incidental to the power struggle that resulted in his death, neither his presence in the Nazi movement, nor his assassination for a reason other than his homosexuality proves any tolerance for homosexuals within the Nazi Party, or link between homosexuality and Nazism. In fact anti-homosexual propaganda was used to stir opinion against the SA within Nazi circles and to justify the purge. What the presence of homosexuals in the SA does demonstrate, and what Shire is at pains to explain in his book, is that the early Nazis were extreme opportunists in their bid for state power—willing to make alliances even with those whom they would eventually send to the camps.

Furthermore, the entire point of the flier—that some Nazis were homosexuals and therefore it ought to be gays who are suspect and not the OCA—is intellectually dishonest. The same sort of argument would lead to the equally invalid idea that because many Nazis professed to be Christians, Christians should be suspected of Nazi affiliations.

Also, to suggest that the involvement of homosexuals like Roehm in the early Nazi movement constitutes an accurate presentation of the "truth" about the relationship of homosexuality to the Nazi state is more than misleading, it is offensive. A more accurate presentation would include the following facts:

Christian Coalition, said to those assembled that ICC wanted to establish 15 local Idaho chapters and identify ten "pro-family" voters in each precinct in the next year.

Guy Rodgers set out a basis for government in his workshop which suggested that God is the basis of all authority, that government of the self is the most fundamental type of government followed by the family, church and civil levels of government. He reiterated the Christian Coalition stand that one of the mistakes Christians make is when they use "the language of redemption" in politics, and put forward the theocratic idea that civil government is holy in the eyes of God because it was ordained by him.

### Oregon Christian Coalition Membership Drive

Fast on the heels of the announcement of a formal break with the **Oregon Citizens Alliance**, the **Oregon Christian Coalition (OCC)** began a vigorous new membership drive, mailing to a list of 10,000 potential recruits and soliciting donations of \$50.00 and above. According to an *Oregonian* article **Darrell Fuller**, the 27 year old executive director, sent out the mailing as the first step in a long range plan to mobilize conservative voters in the state. At the same time the national Christian Coalition has begun a vigorous phone campaign to solicit donations in Oregon, Washington and Idaho, targeting those who have requested free copies of the *Christian American* in the past.

### The Gay Agenda In Lynden, Washington

The Whatcom County town of Lynden, Washington was recently subjected to a four hour anti-gay seminar led by **Kevin Tebedo**, the co-chairman of **Colorado for Family Values**, the organization which successfully passed an anti-gay ballot measure in November 1992 in Colorado.

About 100 people gathered on June 19, 1993 at the Lynden Christian High School to watch the notorious propaganda video "The Gay Agenda" and to

hear Tebedo repeat the familiar chorus of anti-gay complaints. He urged Lynden voters to support the efforts of the **Citizens Alliance of Washington (CAW)** to place an anti-gay initiative on the ballot similar to the one passed in Colorado.

Bart Shadbolt, chairman of the county's Republican Party has estimated that upwards of 30 percent of active Republicans there sympathize with Christian Right ideas. Shadbolt replaced former chair Mark Nelson who resigned, along with two other party officials in 1992, citing concerns that Christian Right, anti-abortion positions were narrowing the party's base of support. **Gary Small**, a conservative minister from Everson and a member of the party executive committee is one of the 30% Shadbolt is referring to. He has argued that Christian conservatives who run for public office can win if they are open about their beliefs and are willing to take a stand on issues like fiscal responsibility.

### More Ballot Box Bigotry on the Horizon

The **Oregon Citizens Alliance** will continue its strategy of targeting local communities with anti-gay and lesbian ballot measure initiatives in the upcoming Fall 1993 elections scheduled for September 21 and November 2. The cities of **Cottage Grove, Estacada, Medford, Molalla, Sweet Home, and Lebanon** will vote on the measure in September, as well **Jackson County**, while the issue will be decided in **Oakridge** in November.

### Estacada City Leaders Gather Signatures for Bigoted Ballot Measure

**Sandy Pense**, a member of the Estacada, Oregon City Council, was one of seven volunteers who helped collect the 170 signatures needed to place an OCA-sponsored anti-gay ballot measure on the city ballot for the September 21, 1993 election. The chief petitioner for the measure is **Mel Schaeffer**, a member of the City Planning Commission.

## Veneta Refuses to Place Anti-Gay Measure on the Ballot

The City Council of the Lane County, Oregon town of Veneta (population: 2,595) refused to place an Oregon Citizens Alliance-sponsored anti-gay and lesbian measure on the September ballot. Under Oregon election law the governing body of a locality where a ballot measure initiative is filed must review and either accept or reject such initiatives. Generally this is considered to be a mere formality, but the Veneta Council used the letter of the law to block the measure from appearing on the ballot. In a 3 to 2 decision, Council members Galen Carpenter, David Morrissey, and Al Starns voted not to place the measure on the ballot, while Mayor Bill Smigley and Council member Tim Brooker voted to place the measure on the ballot.

Patty Duncan, deputy director of the Oregon Citizens Alliance for Lane County, told the Eugene *Register-Guard* that the OCA was considering recall efforts against the council members who voted to block the measure. She also indicated that the OCA was considering legal action to force the issue to a vote. She said, "I don't think there's any legal way they can deny the people an election" (June 16, 1993).

In related news the Veneta City Council also voted on June 29 to change city election protocols, allowing initiative measures only during primary and general elections which fall on even numbered years. The next time the Oregon Citizens Alliance-sponsored anti-gay initiative could come before the voters is now May 1994.

## Computer Bulletin Board Hosts Holocaust Revisionists

A Portland, Oregon-based computer bulletin board system (BBS) is providing a forum for neo-Nazis, anti-gay bigots and Holocaust revisionists. Banished CPU, a two-line, 2400-9600 BPS bulletin board is run by its "sysop," or system operator, "Maynard," who has been uploading Holocaust revisionist material since 1991 and offering it to anyone with a computer and a modem.

Banished CPU has two sections, a message section, where users send and receive electronic notes, and a file section. One file section title, "Holocaust Revisionism & IHR Articles," contains numerous articles from the Liberty Lobby's Institute for Historical Review, as well as works by Canadian Holocaust revisionist Ernst Zundel, French revisionist Robert Faurisson, Bradley R. Smith and British Holocaust denier David Irving. An article available since August of 1991 is "Rub-A-Dub-Dub, Notes on the Jewish-Soap Scam," which purports to "expose" the "hoax" of Nazis having made soap from the body fat of Jewish concentration camp victims.

A message section of the BBS is also thriving with hundreds of local users logging on to debate neo-Nazi propaganda and anti-Semitic conspiracy theories.

BBSs are a relatively recent addition to the propaganda arsenal of the far right. Tom Metzger was an early innovator in the use of computer bulletin boards for spreading racist ideas, and Louis Beam, an Aryan Nations and Ku Klux Klan activist from Texas, initiated the Aryan Nations Liberty Net BBS in the mid-1980's which linked U.S. neo-Nazis together.

## Prukop Comes Out

John R. Prukop, executive director of the Center for Action-Washington, clarified his feelings about homosexuality in a recent phone interview with *The Dignity Report*. Prukop stated that he "doesn't support queers or faggots" and that "sodomy is still a crime in Washington state." He also expressed concern about the sexual orientation of the staff of the *Dignity Report*. Prukop claims to have been "National Press Secretary" for the 1992 presidential campaign of James "Bo" Gritz. Although Gritz accepted the nomination of the racist, anti-Semitic Populist Party, and ran in many states on that ticket, Prukop stressed that Gritz's campaign was "independent." Prukop described the Washington Center for Action as a "First Amendment redress organization" that carries on "the same kind of work" as the Center for Action in Mesa, Arizona but is

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- In October of 1934, only a few months after Roehm's assassination, a special unit was formed within the German Secret State Police (Gestapo) to investigate homosexuals and violations of Article 175 of the Weimar Criminal Code, which criminalized homosexual acts (*Nationalism and Sexuality: Middle-Class Morality and Sexual Norms in Modern Europe*, George L. Mosse [University of Wisconsin Press: Madison, Wisconsin, 1985], p. 164).

- Heinrich Himmler, head of the SS and the man who masterminded the implementation of the Holocaust, was obsessively homophobic. In a speech he gave to Nazi leaders early in 1940 for example, he complained bitterly about the "demographic burden" of having so many homosexuals, stating that when the Nazis came to power there were 1.5 million members of homosexual organizations in Germany, but by the time of the speech the number had been reduced to 500 thousand; he did not discuss how the detention of homosexuals in concentration camps had contributed to the decline, and moreover both numbers were probably gross exaggerations (*The Architect of Genocide: Himmler and the Final Solution*, Richard Breitman [Alfred A. Knopf: New York, 1991], p. 108).

- In 1937 Himmler issued a decree that any homosexual member of the SS would be executed (*Nationalism and Sexuality: Middle-Class Morality and Sexual Norms in Modern Europe*, George L. Mosse [University of Wisconsin Press: Madison, Wisconsin, 1985], p. 165).

- Though the exact number of homosexuals who died in the Nazi concentration camps is unknown, the estimates range from 20,000 to 1 million. The Protestant Church of Austria estimates 220,000 (*Quarantines and Death: The Far Right's Homophobic Agenda*, Mab Segrest & Leonard Zeskind [Center for Democratic Renewal: Atlanta, 1991], p. 24). ☐

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### Louis Beam

In the mid-1970s, **Louis Beam Jr.** served as the Texas Grand Dragon, or state leader, of **David Duke's** Louisiana-based **Knights of the Ku Klux Klan**. This organization included the most prominent advocates of violence in the white supremacist movement at the time. Other state leaders included **White Aryan Resistance (WAR)** leader **Tom Metzger**, 1980's **Invisible Empire**, **KKK** leader **Bill Wilkinson** and **Don Black**, who served 3 years in federal prison for his role in the 1981 Klan/neo-Nazi plot to overthrow the government of Dominica.

Beam's place amongst these racist thugs was well earned. While a Texas Klan leader, Beam conducted paramilitary trainings and in 1981 led a Klan campaign to terrorize Vietnamese shrimp-fishers, boating past them with his group in full Klan regalia and flaunting an arsenal of weapons. A court order in May 1981 prohibited Beam from harassing the shrimp-fishers and in 1982, a Texas law against private armies was used by the Southern Poverty Law Center to strike a blow to Beam's para-military operations.

Shortly after these defeats, Beam left the Knights to become the "Ambassador at Large" for the neo-Nazi **Aryan Nations**, where he promoted the military-wing of the movement. At the **Aryan Nations**, Beam developed a point system whereby members could achieve the status of "Aryan Warrior" through assassinations of judges, federal marshals, politicians, etc. Immediate "Aryan Warrior" status could be won by assassinating the President of the United States. In 1987, Beam was indicted on seditious conspiracy charges in connection to his ties to the violent underground, **The Order**. Acquitted of these charges, Beam led a march of neo-Nazi skinheads in Tennessee in October 1989.

Louis Beam Jr. remains a national leader in the white supremacist movement and a strong advocate of devel-

not in any way affiliated with that group. Gritz established the Center for Action in Sandy Valley, Nevada before moving the organization to Mesa, Arizona in 1993.

### Oregon House Judiciary Committee Compromises on Gay Rights Bill

On June 30, 1993 the Judiciary Committee of the Republican-dominated Oregon House of Representatives first killed Senate Bill 34, which would have banned discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in housing, employment and public accommodation, and then unanimously voted to send a compromise bill, House Bill 3500, to the full House for consideration. HB 3500 would ban the enactment or enforcement of local anti-gay rights measures such as those approved by Oregon voters on June 29.

**Lon Mabon**, chair of the **Oregon Citizens Alliance**, threatened that if HB 3500 is approved and signed by Governor Roberts the OCA would refer it to the people. He described the bill as "representative lunacy."

**Bill Casey**, chairman of the **Traditional Values Coalition of Oregon**, and a former Multnomah County OCA director, has made similar threats. Referring to SB 34 at a June 24 press conference in Salem, he promised that "When all is said and done, we'll have the referendum papers in hand ready to be turned in to overturn any law that might pass giving homosexuals special status in our communities." He also threatened to remind the constituents of Rep. Del Parks (R-Merrill), the chair of the House Judiciary Committee, that Parks bowed to political pressure from the "pro-gay" lobby and allowed the hearings after first indicating that there would be none.


House bill 3500 may prove to be a double-edged sword however. **Darrell Fuller**, executive director of the **Oregon Christian Coalition** said to the *Oregonian* that, "I would argue the gay-rights ordinances of Portland, Ashland and Corvallis single out people based on sexual orientation . . . and the ordinances should be invalidated under the House bill" (July 4, 1993).

### Traditional Values Coalition Leads Attack on Sex Education

**Traditional Values Coalition of Oregon (TVCO)**, a group led by one-time OCA Multnomah County director **Bill Casey**, has introduced a bill to the House Education Committee which would require teachers to "teach honor and respect for monogamous heterosexual marriage" and emphasize abstinence. Casey, who represents a more explicitly theocratic kind of organizing than the OCA, was at pains to moderate his rhetoric at a public work session held on June 3 by the committee. At the session he talked about sexually transmitted diseases and what he described as the failure of conventional sex education.

Casey avoided language such as that used in the TVCO Statement of Principles, which explains that the purpose of the organization, which he refers to as a "ministry," is "to support the body of Christ and the pro-family community, by offering information and education concerning the issues that are destructive to America's Christian heritage." In a TVCO informational circular (undated, circa June 1992), Casey quotes from American "Founding Fathers" and original state constitutions in a section titled "America: Intended to be a Secular State or a Christian Nation?" The section, prepared by **Randy Alcorn** of the Gresham, Oregon-based **Eternal Perspective Ministries**, refers to passages such as the following from the original Massachusetts Constitution:

All persons elected to office must make the following declaration: "I do declare that I believe the Christian religion, and have firm persuasion of its truth."

Such passages were placed into state Constitutions to prevent Jews from holding office, a fact which Alcorn and Casey seem happy to ignore. Such provisions serve as an example of anti-Semitism in Colonial America, and like provisions which counted Blacks as two-thirds of a person or denied women the right to vote are hardly shining examples of a democratic tradition. 

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### Pat Buchanan Heads Up "American Cause"

Pat Buchanan's newly formed organization, *American Cause*, held a Washington, D.C. convention featuring Bill Kristol, Joseph Sobran and Will Perkins. Perkins is Chair of the Executive Board of *Colorado for Family Values* which successfully passed the homophobic *Ballot Measure 2* this past November. The June 7, 1993 issue of the *National Review* quotes Buchanan as saying, "We look upon this gathering today. . . as the Boston Tea Party of the cultural counter-revolution. . . we have to take the offensive." Buchanan was also quoted as saying, "Culture is the Ho Chi Mihn Trail to power." More than 300 people attended the meeting held May 14, 1993 in Washington, D.C.

### Christian Identity Conference to Feature Beam, Peters and Temple

Former klansman and Aryan Nations organizer Louis Beam, and Identity leaders Pete Peters of Colorado and Chris Temple of Montana are scheduled as keynote speakers at the "Third Annual Jubilation Celebration and Conference" sponsored by the racist Identity newspaper *The Jubilee*. The event is scheduled for August 6-8, 1993 in Sacramento, California.

In the past few years *Jubilee* managing editor Paul Hall and his crew of racist and anti-Semitic pen pals have established this paper as the leading organ of the Identity movement. The *Jubilee* leans heavily on presenting "news" from a Christian Identity perspective. A May/June column by news editor Tom Blair seems to have taken the paper solidly into the realm of open support for neo-Nazis in addition to racist Identity leaders. In the piece Blair sums up the Nazi seizure of power in Germany as "the Democratic triumph of the National Socialists over the Communists in 1933" and promotes National Vanguard Books as producing "a wide

variety of fine history books." National Vanguard Books is the distribution outlet of the National Alliance, the West Virginia neo-Nazi outfit of William Pierce. In the mid-1980s, Pierce's neo-Nazi novel *The Turner Diaries* provided inspiration to the violent underground organization known as *The Order*.

The appearance of Beam, Peters and Temple at the *Jubilee* conference points to a shift in the Identity movement. The Hayden Lake, Idaho Church of Jesus Christ Christian—Aryan Nations has seen many of its former leaders move into other racist groups. The Beam-Peters-Temple confluence is an example of this.

Over the past several years Pete Peters has increased his stature within Identity circles, becoming the movement's leading national figure. His annual western conference drew 500 participants in 1992. Peters recently had his bank accounts and church seized by authorities to satisfy a \$10,000 judgment against him. He apparently purchased ads for an anti-gay campaign in Fort Collins, Colorado but failed to file financial disclosure documents. In spite of this setback he remains very active.

Louis Beam's rise in Peter's circles is a relatively recent phenomenon. Beam was a Klan leader in the 1970s and the Aryan Nation's "Ambassador at Large" in the early to mid-1980s (see sidebar). Beam appeared at an October 1992 meeting called by Peters to formulate a response to the impending trial of white supremacist Randy Weaver. He was added to *The Jubilee* staff as a "correspondent" at the behest of managing editor Paul Hall at the start of the Branch Davidian stand-off in Waco, Texas.

Also appearing at the October 1992 meeting was Chris Temple of Montana. Temple is a newcomer to a leadership position in the Identity movement. He has been catapulted to this new found position in the surge of activity around the Weaver case. Since 1992, Temple has served as a staff writer for *The Jubilee* and played a seminal role in the formation of the United Citizens for Justice in Naples, Idaho—a white supremacist-led organization originally formed to support Randy Weaver.

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oping the movement's underground wing. Unlike his former Imperial Wizard David Duke, who has "mainstreamed" himself, taking his brand of neo-Nazi organizing into the Republican Party, Beam continues to push a militant two-pronged politico-military strategy of 1) recruiting new followers through publicity campaigns and 2) the formation of cells to carry out underground anti-government actions. In his 1982 booklet, *Essays of a Klansman*, Beam spelled out the relationship between these two activities:

Political involvement—either openly or sub rosa—is an excellent means for exposing our view to the public and recruitment of new members to our ranks. These activities should be viewed for what they are—an auxiliary to the Klan's primary objective which is to utterly destroy the enemies of our Racial Nation.

Beam uses his position as a "correspondent" for the racist Christian Identity publication *The Jubilee* to promote himself as a defender of Constitutional rights and to advance such white supremacist causes as Holocaust revisionism, which seeks to deny the occurrence of the Holocaust. Beam refers to the Holocaust as "war time propaganda carried over to peace time by Jewish organizations like the ADL."

From behind the hood which he has never truly removed, Beam promotes "Leaderless Resistance," a strategy in which individuals or small cells carry out independent actions against the government. This strategy, in Beam's words, "presents no single opportunity for the Federals to destroy a significant portion of the Resistance."

Beam's ties to Colorado Identity leader Pete Peters gives him the largest forum in the Identity movement at present in which to promote his goals and means of achieving them. ☐

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# International

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## Neo-Nazis Storm Negotiations In South Africa

Close to 1,500 white South Africans, organized by the neo-Nazi **Afrikaner Resistance Movement (AWB)**, stormed the June 25 meeting where twenty-six political parties were gathered to negotiate the transition to majority rule. Police stood by and watched as the AWB paramilitary force, armed with assault rifles and clubs, left the main demonstration and stormed the building. The neo-Nazis used an armored vehicle to smash in the front windows of the lobby and then assaulted a number of journalists and conference attendees.

Nelson Mandela, President of the African National Congress, called for nationwide demonstrations on July 1 to protest the attacks and the lack of response by F.W. DeKlerk's ruling **National Party**. Police officials decided not to confront the mob for fear of causing "a blood bath." The original protest was called by the **Afrikaner Peoples Front (APF)** which like the AWB demands an autonomous white homeland. An *Associated Press* story in the June 26 *Oregonian* quotes **Ret. General Constand Viljoen** of the APF as saying, "if the Afrikaner is forced to put his back against the wall, you will get something worse than today." The *New York Times* of the same day quotes AWB leader **Eugene Terre Blanche** as telling reporters "It's the beginning of the resistance against the takeover of the Communists."

But South African neo-Nazis are not the only political force expressing opposition to multiracial democracy in South Africa. The May 24, 1993 issue of **William F. Buckley Jr.'s National Review** contains an article by **Andrew Kenny**, a mechanical engineer in Natal, South Africa, that expresses support for a "white homeland." Kenny writes, "the white nationalists are divided between two ideas, a reduced Volkstaat (Afrikaner homeland) and white domination over the whole country; and between two methods, negotiation and

force. The idea of a Volkstaat is a good one, which could contain peacefully the energies of Boer nationalism." Kenny also asserts that a "troika" of interests dominates the South African political scene, consisting of DeKlerk's National Party, the African National Congress and "Big Business" all arrayed against white and black nationalism.

This perspective converges nicely with the more openly racist views expressed by **Deirdre Fields**, an Afrikaner and spokesperson for **Friends of White South Africa**, in the June 21, 1993 issue of *The Spotlight*, the weekly publication of the **Liberty Lobby**. Fields goes further than the *National Review's* Kenny in supporting the "white homelands" program of the South African far right by portraying the neo-Nazi AWB and the **Herstigte Nasionale Party (HNP)** as true defenders of white "self-determination."

Fields also goes further with her conspiracy theory, writing, "...we see the convergence of communism evolving from the Eastern bloc, United Nations and Western powers, especially the U.S. State Department, the World Bank and high finance, all working together to

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advance the cause of the communist ANC.”


As is typical of *Spotlight* articles Fields refers to biological determinism. Equating the AWB struggle for white supremacy with the ethnic tension now exploding in former Yugoslavia, Fields

says, "Self-determination is in the DNA of every creature in this world."

In a statement indicating the baseline brutality of the white supremacist movement, **Tom Metzger**, leader of the California-based **White Aryan Resistance**, criticized the AWB for bitching, moaning, crying and pleading "instead of doing the obvious" once inside the council chambers. Metzger's overall assessment of the situation is that "at this time there are three choices left for the bulk of South African whites: Genocide of the Black population, or remove all blacks from South Africa by force or negotiations, or capitulate, taking the road to capitalist race mixing."

## Racist Skinheads Riot In Ottawa

On May 29, 1993 the Ottawa chapter of the **Heritage Front** hosted a neo-Nazi rock band called **RAHOWA**, and another band called "Area" at a Boys and Girls Club in Ottawa, Canada. "RAHOWA" stands for "Racial Holy War" and is a term used by members of the **Church of the Creator (COTC)**, a para-military neo-Nazi organization with strong ties to the Heritage Front. The Heritage Front is a white supremacist organization led by **Wolfgang Droege**, notorious for his involvement in an early 1980's attempt by various neo-Nazis and mercenaries to overthrow the Caribbean nation of Dominica.

The May 29 event culminated in a 2 1/2 hour standoff between approximately 50 neo-Nazi skinheads and 450 anti-racists who had marched to the concert hall in protest. Heritage Front members, escorted by police, exited the club through a side door in an attempt to escape detection, but approximately 50 anti-racists followed the Neo-Nazis to Parliament Hill, the seat of the Canadian government, where a melee ensued. Seven protesters were injured including a female anti-racist protester who sustained a broken nose, bruised ribs and other injuries requiring hospitalization and surgery. **George Burdi** (aka **Rev. Erik Hawthorne**) the Canadian head of the COTC was charged with assault to cause bodily harm in the attack. 

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