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Dear ones,

I have been sick since November, and essentially non-functional since 13 January. By the grace of God I have been able to do things that just had to be done; other things have been very slow in being accomplished, or have gone undone. Please forgive me if you have been a victim of my sub-par performance and delayed response.

FACEBOOK: PLEASE READ THIS!

I continue to get messages from Facebook, telling me that one or another of my friends is inviting me to join Facebook. I tried to make this clear in the last issue (Jan/Feb/Mar), the first article. It is terribly frustrating to me, because each message allows me only one option: **to join**; it is a good marketing strategy, but it is maddening to me! There is no option that allows me to reply to my friend and say, "I love you, and I appreciate being invited to be your Facebook friend; but I don't have a Facebook account, and don't foresee ever having one (I literally don't have the time or energy). But thanks for thinking of me." As it is, all I can do is delete the message and worry that I am hurting someone I care about. So, if you have ever invited me to be your Facebook friend, please know that the "I love you but can't do it" message above is for you.

I NEED PLASTIC DISC BOXES

Those of you who know me may know that I am slow to accept advancing technology. I am one of the few guys on the planet that still uses floppy discs. I have progressed into CDs and flash drives, but have a great deal of my work on floppies, most importantly my Bible Study Guide. It is stored neatly in plastic boxes that the discs came in, plus elongated plastic storage boxes (the guide to the entire Old Testament is archived in one of those), and I need another for the New Testament, plus several of the clear plastic boxes that we used to buy the discs in (they are now packaged in paper boxes), 4x4x2 inches.. If you have any of these old plastic boxes, please send them to me at the office; we will reimburse you for the cost.

THE NEW BOOK ON FREEMASONRY IS READY!

The publication of my new book on Freemasonry, “33 Degrees of Deception,” has been delayed for several months due to serious illness of two key people at Bridge-Logos (and the death of one), and my own illness. But it is finally ready.

This new book combines the content of “Deadly Deception” and “Please Tell Me,” both out of print since Huntington House went out of business. But there is much more—it includes all of the dramatic changes that are taking place in the Craft, and they are profound, paradigm changes, that threaten the very existence of valid, traditional Masonry. We are already filling advance orders. If you would like to have it let us know. The price is \$15.00 (it’s really 14.99, but let’s keep it simple), plus \$4.00 packing and mailing—total \$19.00.

I NEED A MASONIC BIBLE

I need a Masonic Bible, preferably one published in 1968 or earlier—ideally the one published by A.J. Holmes Co. It needs to be one that contains the introductory material by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Fort Newton, including the Mason’s Creed. Mine, given to me by dear friend Don Thompson, is at the bottom of the Gulf of Mexico, with all my other books, courtesy of Hurricane Katrina. I will gladly pay for it, plus mailing cost.

I ALSO NEED A KENTUCKY MONITOR

I also need a Kentucky Monitor, handbook for the Blue Lodge in Kentucky, issued to all newly raised Master Masons. This is the little book that launched me into the study of Freemasonry; mine was also lost in Katrina. The edition I need is that written by Henry Pirtle, 9th Edition (Louisville, Ky, Standard Printing Company, 1921). Again, I will gladly pay for the little blue book that got me into all this, plus mailing cost.

THE RADICALISM OF THE NEA

The National Education Association is the largest teachers’ union in the nation. It is also one of the most powerful pressure groups for evil in the nation. Like the AARP (more on this one next time), it presents an image of wholesome things to the world, like schoolbooks bound with a carrying strap, an apple for teacher, and happy playgrounds. The ugly reality is that it is a promoter of such ungodly things as graphic, secular, sex education, beginning in kindergarten, abortion, elimination of parental rights, and ever-greater socialist, progressive, governmental control. A recent example: Austin Ruse, of the Catholic Family & Human Rights Institute reports on the recent annual gathering of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women. The NEA presented a workshop, conducted by one Diane Schneider, which called for teaching children in public schools sexual things I cannot print in this newsletter. Included, and under it all, was homosexual indoctrination.

If you watch Fox news or listen to talk radio, you may have recently seen or heard a portion of a speech. It was the farewell address, to the NEA convention, of one Bob Chanin, General Counsel to the NEA. The context can be seen as positive or negative, but either way the basic ugliness of their purpose comes through. He said, "Despite what some among us would like to believe it is not because of our creative ideas; it is not because of the merit of our positions; it is not because we care about children; and it is not because we have a vision of a great public school for every child. The NEA and its affiliates are effective advocates because we have **power** (emphasis his). It's not that we are doing it for the kids, it's not because we have greater ideas, it's none of that stuff. **We have power** (emphasis his)! That's why we are effective." He went on to say that they have this power because teachers pay hundreds of millions of dollars to the NEA each year, and that is what it is all about. (Fox News/Rush Limbaugh, et al)

THE JUSTICE DEPT SHOWS ITS COLORS

At the Obama/Eric Holder Justice Department there has been a change on the web site. Previously the home page had as its masthead the stars and stripes of a stylized US flag. It's gone. In its place, declaring the dominant theme of the Justice Department, are un-attributed words: "**The common law is the will of mankind, issuing from the life of the people.**" These are not only unfamiliar words, but they leave us wondering what they mean. The author of these words is not revealed, but they are the words of one C. William Jenks, a progressive who, in the 1930s, was a proponent of the International Law Movement, which had as its goal the imposition of global common law, trumping all national and state laws, to establish among other things, "global workers' rights."

This is the guiding principle declared (without telling us whose words they are) of the Obama Dept. of Justice. Obviously, the flag symbolism, or something from John Jay, John Marshall or George Washington would be a better choice; but those things would not express what is dear to Obama's heart.

OBAMA OPPOSES THE DEFENSE OF MARRIAGE ACT

In 1996 the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) passed in the Senate 84-15, in the House by 342-67, and was signed into law by Bill Clinton. The law, which defines marriage as being between one man and one woman, is hated, naturally, by homosexuals. In late February Obama sided with the sodomites and ordered the Justice Dept. to cease defending the law in court. This means that homosexuals, with almost limitless funds, can go on bringing suits against the law (there are already many pending), unopposed except by Christian groups. If the lawsuits are successful, the federal government would be forced to recognize homosexual "marriage."

In March, under John Boehner's leadership, the House of Representatives has entered the fray. The House Bipartisan Leadership Advisory Group voted 3-2 (both democrats opposed the support) to support the law in federal court. Although the Dept of Justice has abandoned the defense of DOMA, the House General Counsel and his staff will defend the law. (BP/Fox/et al)

OBAMA, BRAZIL, OFFSHORE DRILLING AND OIL-DEPENDANCE

With a war including American forces exploding in Libya, Obama, with wife, daughters and entourage, first schmoozed with ESPN and presented his bracket predictions in the NCAA basketball tournament, and then flew off to Brazil (and other destinations) in March. The main stop was Brazil. Dilma Rousseff, Brazil's first female president, is an ex-convict, imprisoned as a Marxist guerrilla in 1970. Today she, with her 30-year unmarried, live-in "partner," is not only legitimate, she is in charge. She and Obama have a friendly relationship. While we stagger under the national debt, real unemployment hovers at about 24%, and we buy most of our oil from foreign sources, an amazing thing took place. Obama opened deep-water, off-shore oil drilling, in our Gulf of Mexico, to Brazil's government-owned oil company, Petrobras. Never mind that he has denied our own oil companies permission to drill there (for reasons of environmental protection). Not only that, but he has promised to lend \$2 billion to Brazil to fund the project, and promised that we will buy the oil from them. Brazil already owns a large chunk of the USA; it is the 4th largest holder of our national debt.

(WSJ/Townhall.com/hotair.com/wikipedia.org/Fox)

GREENPEACE LEADER ADMITS ARCTIC ICE "MELTING" FALSE

Gerd Leipold, the outgoing leader of Greenpeace, the largest of the radical environmentalist groups, has admitted that the polar ice cap is not melting due to "global warming." Under close questioning by Stephen Sackur of BBC, Leipold admitted that it was "a mistake" to predict that by 2030 the polar ice cap would be gone, with catastrophic results. He admitted that Greenpeace issued misleading (call this "false") information, but defended the practice of "emotionalizing" (call this "propagandizing") issues in order to gain public support. (BBC/Breitbart.com)

GEORGE SOROS, PROGRESSIVE, GLOBALIST, PUPPET MASTER

George Soros has been largely unknown to the general public (that's us) until very recent times. A few courageous journalists, led by Glenn Beck, have been exposing this immensely wealthy, enormously powerful man, his background, his activities, and his goals. Beck and others call him the globalist, progressive puppet master, and "a spooky guy." He is also called "The World's Malignant, Messianic, Narcissist." It appears that he is all these things, and more. In the next issue I will summarize, from his birth into a Marxist, globalist, Jewish family in Hungary, through his teen years as an assistant in a very small way to Adolph Eichman in 1944 in assisting in the Hungarian holocaust. He has repeatedly said that 1944 was

“the best year of my life.” It was his first taste of power over others.

Today he exercises power, not over individuals, but over nations and their economies. Today he confesses to thinking of himself as a god. “It is a sort of a disease when you consider yourself some kind of god, the creator of everything, but I feel comfortable about it since I began to live it out.” (The Independent, 3 June 1993, “The Billionaire Who Built on Chaos—George Soros/ Glennbeck.com/Fox/The New American/politicalvelcraft.org)

HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF LA RAZA?

No? Well, now you will—and then some. La Raza (Spanish for “The Race”) is a radical Hispanic, anti-American organization that advocates for open borders, amnesty and government handouts for illegal aliens. Like this ministry, La Raza is a tax-exempt 501(c)3 organization; but there is more. Unlike this ministry, it also receives grants from the Federal Government—more than \$24 million in three years, from 2006-2008. I work without pay, and we have only one paid secretarial employee. Key employees of La Raza, on the other hand, receive annual salaries from \$119,675 to \$378,446. Compare these salaries to that of a junior US Senator (\$174,000) and that of a Marine Sergeant with 5 years service (\$29,376). Not only that, but their tax form 990 reveals that in the most recent year **they spent \$800,787 in lobbying against us and our way of life.**

In simplest terms, we not only allow this anti-American, radical, pressure group to live and operate here, but the federal government gives La Raza money, so it can lobby the federal government for still more money. Does this make sense? (Human Events)

EXPLORATION, “HAPPY SAVAGES” AND HUMAN NATURE

I have already told you (Good Word, Dec/Jan ‘92/’93) that I was an environmentalist (we called ourselves “conservationists” then) before it was cool to be one. I still am. I was also sympathetic with the American Indians long before that was also cool, and was well aware that greed and bureaucratic indifference to honor, morality and human suffering had made consistent victims of them during our westward expansion. I knew that the U.S. government had never lived up to a single treaty with the Indians, I knew about Wounded Knew and all the rest. Crazy horse was one of my heroes(he still is). And I taught these things to my children.

But now the “conventional wisdom” of current environmental and social extremism is that Columbus was just a villainous plunderer who came to the New World and ruined everything. This “wisdom” says that the American natives were doing just fine until he came, bringing slavery, disease and brutality into paradise. This “revisionist history” is what is permeating your children’s textbooks right now, never mind the truth.

The opposite argument is that those Indians really needed our bulldozers, air pollution, smallpox and forced removal...after all, there was an empire to be had here and nothing else mattered.

Both are false. The truth, as usual, is somewhere between these extreme versions; but the truth is not being heard much these days.

And, as Christians, we must never forget that God has never cancelled the Great Commission. Lost people are still lost, and they still need Jesus.

But were all the indigenous people really living like blissful children of nature, loving, peaceful and naturally moral before the white Europeans arrived?

No. They were already practicing slavery, gross immorality, forced prostitution, warfare, pillaging, human sacrifice and in some cases, cannibalism, all without our help. They simply didn't have our technology with which to do all these bad things more efficiently.

A Fascinating Case In Point. Capt. James Cook was the preeminent explorer of the Pacific. He visited Tahiti long before the Bounty arrived and had its famous mutiny. When Cook arrived, they were pristine, not yet polluted by "white European" culture. In his own words, here is what he found in July 1769; it is worthy of careful reading: "I do not expect to be believed...the better sort of inhabitants have entered into a resolution of enjoying free liberty in love without being troubled or disturbed by its consequences; they mix and cohabit together with the utmost freedom, and the children who are so unfortunate as to be thus begot are smothered at the moment of their birth. The men amuse themselves with wrestling and the women in dancing the indecent dance before mentioned, in the course of which they give full liberty to their desires. Both sexes express the most indecent ideas in conversation without the least emotion, and they delight in such conversation beyond any other. Chastity indeed is but little valued. The men will very readily offer the young women to strangers, even their own daughters, and think it strange if you refuse them, but this is done merely for the lucre of gain."

Do you see a fundamental truth expressed here? Sin is natural. People are people. Those Tahitians didn't learn all those bad things from White Europeans...they were already doing them when the White Europeans got there! The only difference between them at their worst and us at our worst is that we have the technology with which to kill our babies before they are born and don't wait to smother them at birth.

Let's not deceive ourselves by thinking we brought no harm to the New World (and the islands of the Pacific); but let's also not fall for the "conventional

wisdom” that everything was perfect before we arrived and that it was a mistake to come.

WHAT CAN ONE PERSON DO?

Bob Price is a 70-year-old one-man ministry: Mailbox Ministries in Hot Springs, Ark. He buys names and addresses, all over the World, and then to each one he sends a tract, with a return-addressed card. The card asks five simple questions, ending with asking the person if he prayed to receive the Lord after reading the tract. To those who send the response card back, Bob sends a Bible and a book on how to grow as a Christian. Recently Bob received the 8,000th positive response card; more recently he received 42 such responses from a single mailing to India. And he has never solicited financial support. With God as our partner, think of all the other ways that “just one” of us could be effective in ministry to others!

MISSING THE POINT CONCERNING PRAYER

A thing is going around the e-mail circuit called, “Isn’t It Strange?” It is folk humor, a list of comparisons, including “Isn’t it strange that you can’t find a word to say when you are praying, but you have no trouble thinking what to talk about with a friend?” You probably already know where I am going with this: if we have a proper relationship with God, He is our best friend, and there is no difficulty in “finding a word to say.” Those who can’t think of anything to say in prayer don’t know Him as a friend, or their Abba Father—or, at least, they need to cultivate that relationship.

OUR CHRISTIAN HERITAGE

“It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religions, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ! For this very reason peoples of other faiths have been afforded asylum, prosperity, and freedom of worship here.” (Patrick Henry)

QUOTABLE

“The things that will destroy America are prosperity at any price, peace at any price, safety first instead of duty first, the love of soft living, and the get-rich-quick theory of life.” (Theodore Roosevelt)

CONCERNING THE 2ND AMENDMENT AND “MILITIA”

Most anti-gun-ownership people, it seems to me, know very little about the issue; they are just viscerally against it because their liberal friends, professors, etc tell them they should be against it. Those few more-knowledgeable people, who are against it but have given it some thought, will usually say something like “the 2nd Amendment says that the right to bear arms only applied to 18th Century militias, not to individual citizens, then or now.”

But let's hear what George Mason, principal author of the Bill of Rights and staunch defender of the 2nd Amendment, had to say about that. He wrote, "Who are the militia, if they be not the people of the country? They consist now of the whole people, except a few public officers." He also wrote, "To disarm the people is the best and most effectual way to enslave them."

ADMIRAL YAMAMOTO'S ADVICE

Admiral Yamamoto, Japan's leading naval officer in WW II, had lived in the US while in school, and had lived here during diplomatic assignments. He opposed the Pearl Harbor attack and after it observed that all that had been accomplished was to "awaken a sleeping giant." He also strongly advised against ever invading the continental US saying the "If we do, we will find an American with a gun behind every blade of grass."

A POINT TO PONDER

"Fathom the odd hypocrisy that the government wants every citizen to prove that they are insured, but people don't have to prove they are citizens." (Ben Stein)

MILESTONES

Born 18 Dec- **Brooklyn Elizabeth Darst** to Hope and David Darst in Nashville. Hope is the daughter of Greg and Sandy Owen, longtime dear friends. **NOTE:** Hope's birth was the **very first** "milestone" in this newsletter; something has come full circle.

Died 18 Dec - **Jack Albright**, husband of old and dear friend Peggy Albright, after a long illness, in Jackson, Tenn.

A FINAL WORD

Treasure and use each day as if it were your last, and never give up hope; God has a limitless supply of new beginnings, and He makes beautiful things out of broken pieces.

You are precious,

(Sources: AP-Associated Press; BBC-British Broadcasting Corp.; BP-Baptist Press; Fox (Fox News); FOF-Focus on the Family; FRC-Family Research Council; HC-History Channel; IMG-Israel My Glory; JP-Jerusalem Post; LAT-L.A. Times; NM NewsMax.com; NW-Newsweek; NYP-New York Post; NYT-New York Times; ONN-OneNewsNow; PWB-Pastors' Weekly Briefing; USAT-USA Today; VOM-Voice of Martyrs; W-World Magazine; WND-World Net Daily; and WT-Washington Times.)