

Stamp Out Gun Control

The Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms has launched a new project which we expect to have a major impact on public opinion.

Would you believe the U.S. Postal Service has never issued a postage stamp commemorating our right to keep and bear arms? Or, for that matter, the shooting sports or our U.S. Olympic Rifle and Pistol Team?

Well, they haven't.

Furthermore, in their new "Roots of Democracy" stamp series, they commemorate Freedom of Speech, Freedom to Vote, Freedom to Assemble, Freedom of the Press—but they omit our *Firearms Freedom*—the basic root of democracy.

Why do we want a pro-gun rights postage stamp? Because if we get the Postal Service to issue a right to keep and bear arms commemorative postage stamp we will reach virtually every American with a pro-gun rights message.

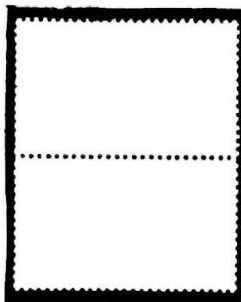
In addition to having a mass impact on the way many Americans think and vote, this project is an excellent way of getting on the offensive rather than always fighting a defensive battle. That is why we need your help now, to make this innovative project a success.

Please write today to William Bolger, U.S. Postmaster General, U.S. Post Office, Washington, D.C. 20026, asking him to issue a stamp commemorating the Seco

A You also may be able to use them without your regular postage!

B Just imagine how unglued the Postal Monopoly will become every time they catch a letter with only a pro-gun stamp on it!

C And closer to eliminating the Postal "Service's" monopoly!



Yes! I'll help stamp out gun control. Send me _____ sheets of stamps (50 stamps per sheet) at 25¢ per sheet. I've enclosed \$ _____.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Return to:

Citizen Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms, 1601 114th Street S.E., Suite 151, Bellevue, Washington 98004

The pale blue of these stamps may not reproduce well. If it doesn't, you'll just have to order some to see how great they look. And be sure to order enough - 10 or 20 sheets @ 25¢ per sheet is a bargain - to make it worth the CCRKBA's time. Small orders are a nuisance!

These stamps offer many possibilities. If you use them alone, and if they catch it, they'll "Return to Sender" or to the Dead Letter Office (and maybe the Postal Inspector!) If they catch it. It's not likely that they will in a large city. In small (really small, like where I am in Mittelamerika) towns, the Postal employees are really friendly and conscientious. Amazing!

If you were to get a rubber stamp made with 15c on it, and a stamp pad with ink color to match the blue of the stamp, heh..heh...Good luck! Another possibility would be to get a 13c rubber stamp and add a 2c "real" stamp.

WARNING

I understand that recent "real" stamps have a chemical in the ink which permits letters to be sorted and canceled by automated equipment. The lack of this chemical in CCRKBA's "stamps" might be a problem. Using a 2¢ "real" stamp and a 13c CCRKBA "stamp" might be the best idea.

Amendment, our right to keep and bear arms.

At the bottom of this page is an ad for pro-gun stamps which you will be able to use along with your regular postage until we can get the Postal Service to commemorate our rights. A

So you can see, this project is well planned and thought out. Our objectives are three-fold:

- To reach as many people as possible with our pro-gun rights message through an effective means of communication.

- To focus attention on our right to keep and bear arms, and remind Americans that our heritage of firearms freedom is in the national interest.

- To achieve the greatest impact on the mass public at the lowest possible cost—so that your purchase through the ad has more clout per dollar.

CCRKBA prefers to take the offensive with a project like this than always be on the defensive because of activities of anti-gun groups like the National Council to Control Handguns or the National Coalition to Ban Handguns.

To be frank, in the next few months we must raise \$225,000 to make this project a success. That is why we need your help and seek your support through the ad at the bottom of this page.

Just imagine how unglued the anti-gunners will become every time they get a letter in the mail with a pro-gun stamp on it. B

Every stamp you lick brings us one step closer to licking the anti-gunners. C

We might stamp out gun confiscation once and for all!!! It's about time we did!!!



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NO. 58

Mr. Phelps Strikes Again!

That's right, Jim Phelps, that lovable, larcenous, lecherous Libertarian and his IM Force are back with another exciting issue filled with fun and games!!! After the unbelievable, unprecedented, under-whelming 2 letter reader response to the last Mr. Phelps issue, I've decided to give him another chance to get his act together! All of the articles, comments and opinions expressed in this issue are the sole responsibility of Mr. Phelps and do not necessarily represent those of TAP or its staff of burn outs. Any similarity between the persons, places and events mentioned in this issue and the real thing is purely intentional. Names have been changed to protect the guilty and to keep us from getting our ass sued! Address all comments and complaints about this issue to Mr. Phelps c/o TAP. As always, if any of your IM Force is caught or killed, TAP will disavow all knowledge of your activities. Good luck, Jim.

DEDICATION

This issue is dedicated to Abbie Hoffman and all our other revolutionaries, wherever they are.

INFO WANTED

We'd like to know all about the chemical (source, price, etc) which may be used on postage stamps to allow automated sorting and canceling.

Chain Stamps

You've heard of chain letters? If not, ask some old timer. They're a pyramid scheme (illegal) like Social In-Security (legal because the government says so) in which the later players may make a lot of money, but at the expense of later players.

A much less dishonest kind of chain letter can be produced with the aid of Elmer's Glue-All. Regular readers of TAP will recall #39 which advised that postage stamps could be recycled by coating them before mailing (and allowing it to dry before mailing, or it could prove embarrassing). If you apply the glue too heavily, the cancellation will smudge. No, that it really matters. A friend and I sent the Lindbergh's Spirit of St. Louis crossing the Atlantic on so many flights 10? 15? 20? that we lost count. We were tempted to claim a Guinness World's Record. Remember, it's bad luck to break a chain letter.

What if you get caught?

Many paranoids have asked me this. I don't think the government is so stupid that they would prosecute. Think of all the free publicity Elmer would get! Sales Of Elmer's reportedly increased significantly after #39 appeared. Look what happens whenever Puritans try to censor a book or movie.

JP

* There's nothing wrong with stealing from the government. After all, they steal from us. They call it taxes.

FREE MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS!

Have you heard about the Mordakai Jones Magazine System? He was the George C. Scott character in The Film-flam Man. It's a systemization of the three free issue policy. If you send in a card and say "Bill me", they'll send three issues and a lot of bills before canceling. See #42 for another method. Go to the library and get sub. cards for the mags you want. Pick a desirable name and send in, recording the date on a big master list.

When the first issue comes, record the date received so you know how long processing takes.

After a few issues cancel the first sub and reorder a second on the cards that came in your first issues. It is best to cancel by writing "No longer at this address" on the invoice. This seems more plausible than to just deny you ever ordered. It is also best to keep the first invoice for when you want to cancel. It looks better than canceling with the first invoice is postpaid, but subsequent ones are not. Once you know how long it takes to process an order and a cancellation, you can just keep sending things in at the right time to get uninterrupted service. It usually works out that you should order the next sub before you cancel the first, but that depends on the mag. Esquire takes almost 6 weeks to order, as does Forbes, Yachting, and Road and Track. High Fidelity on the other hand took less than two weeks, as does Business Week. Most of the rest are somewhere in between.

As far as picking a name to order in, we used the name of a guy who used to live in our dorm room before WWI. Then we switched the name around a little each time. We do get some rather strange looks from our mailman! This might not be necessary at a college, where the P O delivers to an address, not a name. It could be a problem at an apartment. As far as the magazine end is concerned, I'm quite sure the name is irrelevant, as long as it's not identical with the last one. A friend ordered one under the name Ivan Bityatitsoff and I'm sure there are more inventive things to be done in this area. In any case, it's all handled by computers and humans who are as capable of original thought as computers (which is to say: not at all), so it doesn't have to make sense, as evidenced by the Forbes article I included.

Report from Arthur Bishop (my favorite movie hero): I got a catalog from Ken Hale Publications, P.O. Box 395, McDonald, Ohio 44437 \$1.00. It's a lot like Loompanics, only he has more stuff: silencers, bombs, locks, warfare, survival, etc. For the "Man of Action". Includes Kurt Saxon's Root-Rot, an answer to Alex Haley.

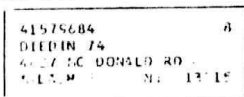
The Mechanic starring Charles Bronson!

I hadn't heard. Many thanks to One of the Best and the Brightest. If we had a couple of hundred contributors like you, we could publish a full size magazine every month. If you live in a house or apt, and are on good terms with your mailman, you might be able to tell him about it and he may go along with it - as long as it doesn't get him into trouble. You can tell him that, if anyone inquires about the name(s), it's someone "visiting" you. Some mailmen are pretty good guys. Remember, we are fighting The System, not individuals who may be trapped in it. JP

AND YOU'RE AFRAID OF COMPUTERS?

An estimable magazine sent out a renewal offer not long ago to a subscriber who had not renewed. The label was returned with a line through the gentleman's name and a handwritten notation "Died in 74"

You guessed it -- the correction was made. And the next mailing, identical to the first, went out addressed to "Died in 74"



from Forbes Dec 11, 1978

2% of mail misdirected

Two of every 100 letters dropped in the nation's mailboxes are delayed because they're routed to the wrong post office, an internal Postal Service study says. Assistant Postmaster General Pete Dorsey related the survey's findings to the service's governing board yesterday when he said the routing errors arise from mechanical and human mistakes as well as improper ZIP codes. Dorsey said there were fewer routing errors before humans were replaced by machines.

Dear Mr. Steelmor,

We have received your request to cancel your order for NEW YORK MAGAZINE.

It has been cancelled as you instructed. In the event you receive an additional invoice, please disregard it.

Thank you.

This or This? ←

Always include your zip code as the post office will not deliver your magazine without a correct zip code.

Dear Mr. Phelps,

You recently requested that we process a change of address on your subscription to FLY FISHERMAN.

We are unable to locate your subscription record. Please return this card with a recent label noting the date and terms of your order.

This computer is REALLY fucked up! I've gotten a half dozen or so of these, and I've never heard of some of the magazines!

MAKE YOUR OWN LOCK PICKS

Al Mundy and I have been promising for some time to write articles on lock picking. Al's was in #50, and, at long last, here's mine.

Every gun enthusiast (aren't we all? If you aren't, you should be!) is, or should be, familiar with Brownell's, Route 2, Box 1, Montezuma, Iowa 50171. Their 150-page catalog (\$2.50, refundable with first order) lists all sorts of gun-smithing goodies. One of these goodies is #151 Spring Stock Assortment One hundred 12" long pieces 1/16" to 3/8" wide and .015" to .045" thick. \$4.90 plus shipping. These strips can also be used to make lock picks and tension wrenches - But don't tell them you want some lock pick stock!

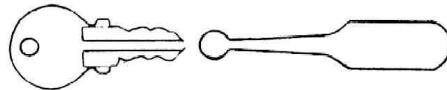
If you'd rather not spend any money, follow a motorized street sweeper around until the operator stops for coffee or lunch. A minute or two with your wire cutters (ordinary pliers may be inadequate) and you will have all the .025" x 1/8" spring steel you want.

"MM" of Canada adds: I grind my own picks out of the 3/8" (that's three-eighths of an inch) spring steel fiststapes used by electricians. The "Key" to successful picking is PRACTICE.

The most effective method I've discovered for heat treating tension wrenches (and all other small springs) appeared in an earlier edition of Brownell's catalog. Heat the steel to a dull red and bend it to the desired shape. Reheat it and quench it in water. Dry it off. Carefully - it is brittle. Coat it with oil. Then light it and allow the oil to burn off. When it cools, test it. If it breaks, Sorry, Charlie! You didn't heat it enuf. If it bends, you overheated it and annealed it. Reheat and shape it, quench and temper. If it's just right, nice work!

Using Your New Toys

We'll build up your confidence by starting with the easiest lock of all to pick: the ten wafer Juncunc (American) padlock. They look very impressive with a heavy shackle (which often is brittle because of the chrome plating, instead of tough as it should be) and "twin balls lock it solid". But when it comes to security, they are "Junc". The pick is mightier than the hacksaw or pry bar! We'll use a 1/4" ball



pick. The key way is so wide and thick that the pick can be made from an old hacksaw blade. Insert the tension wrench and apply moderate tension. Insert the pick, raking the wafers down one side and the wafers on the other side on the way out. Often you can open it on the first pass. You may be as fast as they are on television. If you take more than five -5- count 'em FIVE seconds to pick a Junc-er, you definitely need more practice!

After opening one so easily, it may be hard for you to believe this, but many trucking companies use the Juncunc lock. If you have a warped sense of humor (if you didn't, you wouldn't be reading TAP) and if you're willing to risk a possible Federal rap, you might want to swap locks on a truck. If you remain nearby to observe the driver's reaction when he returns and learns that his key doesn't work, remember that you may find it difficult to keep a straight face. Your own imagination will provide you with many other ideas for ways to use your new toys. Good luck!

Jim Phelps, with an inspiration by Guy Grand, The Magic Christian

Dear sirs:

You've heard all about the electronic stun Gun, the Taser. You may be surprised to learn that I devised and built a very similar weapon some 25 years ago.

Altho my device was very crude and clumsy (it weighed 12 lbs, was bulky and had to be arranged on a belt and worn under a bulky topcoat) it was nevertheless a most devastating weapon and indispensable in a country which was in the middle of a wave of violence equal to that here today.

My device was superior to the Taser in that it was capable of several shots before recharging and the darts were instantly retractable and reusable almost indefinitely.

I used it on some really vicious thugs and was very gratified with the results. In every case they were totally incapacitated and suffered some very distressing traumas. They all suffered violent muscular contractions which dislocated joints, tore ligaments from the muscles, and caused respiratory arrest and crossed ribs. One of them impacted his lower teeth into the uppers. Some of them lost control of bowels and bladder, with such force that they burst their hemorrhoids, and expelled the contents of their stomachs at the same time. The thugs became very bloody, sticky, smelly, pissy, shitty messes. I did not wait around to evaluate the results, but learned of them from a lady friend who was a nurse in the emergency ward.

Like the Taser, my weapon used a flashlight beam for aiming. The electrodes shimmered and scintillated in the light and this was the first thing the thugs remembered when they were able to talk. They were convinced they had been hit with a "Death Ray". At that time lasers and transistors had not been invented, and everyone dreaded what the Russians were up to.

I was delighted with the success of my invention, and foolishly applied for a provisional patent. This was my undoing. A few days later two detectives called at my house, demanded that I hand over the weapon, and then searched the place (without warrant, of course).

They had no idea what they were looking for and left the device where it was, on the bench, disassembled. However, they did take away some expensive radar gear, and demanded that I give them the plans. When I refused and threatened to sue them, they gave me 24 hours to think about it and said they would be back. They never did come back, and are probably still wondering how I could possibly build a Death Ray out of what they stole.

I did not dare rebuild my device and kept the design in my head. The provisional patent was delightfully vague and only told what my invention did, not how.

When I came to America I was able to legally own a gun for protection and, as this is much more convenient, I didn't bother with the Taser again, at least until recently.

Last year some re-invented the Taser (at least that's what they call it - mine didn't even have a name, so I'll call it the Taser "A" or TaserA). Of course I was deeply intrigued and wrote to the mfr. telling them of my prior invention and of its superior features and offered to sell them the idea. I wrote three times and they did not have the courtesy to answer any of them.

I thought of making and selling the device but the BATF has now declared the Taser to be a firearm and subject to registration, and they would most likely make it all but impossible for me to manufacture the device. I am in a similar position to the would-be merchants of red, white, and blue boxes. Your organization is doing the next-best thing. You offer plans for these gizmos. How would you like to offer your readers plans for a do-it-yourself Taser? [YES!] The plans are still in my head so if the FBI, CIA, or AFL-CIO is reading this and planning to watergate me, they can forget it. I've been that route before.

The cost today of my home-made version would be about \$30 (thirty dollars!) using readily obtainable parts from hardware, automotive, and thrift stores. If you should decide to "sophisticapolize" my original design and apply the latest technology of electronics, the finished product would cost about the same and would be the size of a pocket tape recorder.

I invented several other useful devices including a tear gas gun and a pocket flame-thrower. Both of these worked well but I never had an opportunity to try them out in normal city life, and after my bad experience with the TaserA, I did not want to attract any unwelcome official attention.

Please let me know soon if you are interested. I'm sure we can work out something to our mutual advantage and in the best interest of science.

We need to develop a method of fooling the voice print identification system. There are all sorts of possibilities to introduce electronic distortion. One simple method would be to use a voice muffler. The core tube of a toilet paper roll lined with fiberglass or sponge rubber can introduce enough distortion and a piece of tissue paper wrapped around a comb inserted in the roll will produce some static. The beauty of this is that it's a throwaway device.

Now here is a foolproof way to fool a lie detector, be it polygraph or voice stress analyzer. HYPNOSIS. A good subject in the hands of a very good hypnotist can be programmed to believe that the lies he will tell at a job interview or a court trial, are in fact, true.

Lie detectors are very unreliable on certain people, such as salesmen, politicians, and white collarscriminals. This is because they have trained themselves to be good liars. A salesman's lies often show up in his voice and in his facial expression. That is why a successful salesman must always believe in himself, his merchandise, and his sales pitch. It's impossible to convince others unless you believe it yourself. Do you get the idea?

KayVaR

We are VERY interested. We wrote you at the address you gave us, but the letter came back "Unknown". Please contact us!!!
JP

Jim,

Is "Guy Grand" a real person (TAP #42), or is he a fictitious character you made up so you could interview yourself? Tom told me all the "Ask Mr. Phelps" questions were synthetic.

Some of the coin-op (actually coin-returning, if you can believe it) lockers here use the kind of keys that the TAP article #35 said were used on parking meters. Neat! Are the dupe machines impossible to get, even by midnite discount? How true is illuminatus! anyway?

Tad Vail

Smartass kid! Tom told you? Et tu, Tom? All of the questions were actually asked. My interviewee was a REAL person. Considering his bulk, I could almost say "larger than life". I met him thru a Libertarian Party State Chairperson. Considering the apathy of voters, that seemed to be all the LP is good for: meeting a few good people. This SC, incidentally, was the first one to be accused of misappropriating Party funds. It happens in the best of families.

The Ilco 2182B Mil-A-Key Key machine sells for \$310 and this may be an old price. I used a borrowed New Hermes engraving machine which costs even more. Those lockers are used by private individuals and I don't advocate ripping off people, only companies.

Who really knows anything about the illuminatus! Remember my review and your mission in #32?

Mission Incredible

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Anyone who read about the Israelis' raid on Entebbe could not fail to be impressed. Did they carry their own magnificent Uzi Submachinegun? No! They used the MAC-M10 with "sound suppressor". See TAP #52. **NEW PROGRAM PARTS** and assemblies for SMGs. The new program parts automatic lockers and car doors and 800cc starter parts for sale from assembled upper receiver with carbine barrel \$148. Airframe (incl. duct) \$125. **THUNDER DAW** 24" extension \$26. Inmate \$2. M10 Home \$11. Encoder covers \$10. 100% about \$10. Legally permitted M10 9mm silencer \$70. M10 or M11 (silenced) lower receiver \$30. M10 silencer tubes - one cut in each \$28. Send \$2 for an illustrated catalog. **SPECIAL PARTS LTD.** Box 7852 TAP Atlanta GA 30337

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Driving at speed across the Great Plains, I noticed in the distance one of the very infrequent billboards. SOCIAL SECURITY it said in large letters. As I approached, I wondered what the fine print said. Out here one never knows. Maybe a welcome critical blast by the John Birchers? Alas, no.

Information

Call 1-800-xxx-xxxx

(It's different for each state. Call 1-800-555-1212 to learn the # for the state you live in)

Social Insecurity also known as Social Slavery has a toll-free number we can use to learn about all the wunnerful benefits which (hopefully) await us. Or...we can use the # to subtly, gently...harass! We can ask if it's true that The System is a bankrupt pyramid scheme which we'll never get as much out of as we're forced to "contribute". We can ask how to apply for "non-religious conscientious objector" status and stop throwing money away. We can implant the seeds of doubt in bureaucrats' minds (or whatever they have)...tie up the lines...innocently, of course.

Remember the "turn in a junkie" toll-free #? It didn't work too well. People either ignored it, or turned in anyone they didn't like, junkie or not. Hail Eris!

JP

Buggers Beware... Untappable Phone!

veillance or eavesdropping devices." Once installed, the Shield 100 automatically and continuously sniffs the air for eavesdroppers.

While citing the public's concern over "unauthorized eavesdropping," Aegis' greatest sympathies are reserved for "decision makers in business, labor and politics..." Companies involved in highly sensitive defense work require tight security, companies "which bid on multi-million dollar jobs" fret about industrial espionage; and labor unions and national political leaders have "a very real fear of eavesdroppers," according to Aegis.

To prove this point Aegis' President Haig Arakelian refers to a 1975 survey of 372 corporate security officers conducted by the Federal Commission on Wiretapping which revealed a significant forty percent of those responding were "worried" or "very worried" about electronic surveillance. Arakelian claims the Shield 100 could allay "about ninety percent" of those fears.

The San Diego-based electronics firm, Aegis Electronics, has announced development of the world's first "secure" telephone targeted for the popular consumer. The "Shield 100" protects its user "from unauthorized eavesdropping either by wiretap intrusion or by radio-transmitting 'bugs' in his office," according to Aegis.

The Shield 100 is just like a regular phone "except that it has a small antenna and a row of little lights" and operates "outside the telephone company's normal power system." By simply switching to the "secure mode," you can foil any eavesdropper since "it will appear that the call was never completed, or that the receiver was hung up, or that the telephone was never even in use."

(Right now, phone freaks are pondering whether this device would "shield" users from phone company detection when making long-distance calls....)

The Shield 100 is as versatile as eavesdroppers are insidious. The system will detect AM or FM transmitters, mini-transmitters, infinity transmitters (harmonic bugs), remotely-activated and sound-activated transmitters, extension phone listening, automatic tape recorder switches and low impedance taps. Among others.

Alas, even "the highest level of technological sophistication available in secure telephones today" is not impervious. The Aegis flyer admits "the Shield 100 cannot detect room microphones which are directly wired to eavesdropper's receiver." Nor can it detect induction type taps, television or laser devices. In these instances a "physical search" is advised.

As a bonus, when the Aegis Electronics security technician installs the instrument, the purchaser will receive "at no charge, a physical search and full security sweep to clear the area of concern of any possible existing surreptitious sur-



The Untappable Phone

Unfortunately, the Shield 100 will remain outside the grasp of the average citizen. "The secure telephone sells for \$2500," the flyer concludes.

YOU SAW IT FIRST IN TAP!

Long-time readers will recall my article in #33 about the Universal Product Code used in supermarkets and how to rip it off by gluing low priced codes on high priced items. The June 1978 Mother Jones featured an article about the experiences of three conspirators who did just that. The checker either believed the fooled computer rather than her own eyes, or didn't care. Not all of them will be this dumb or apathetic. So... instead of gluing a UPC from a salt carton on a can of caviar, use the UPC from a small size package of an item on the "large, economy size" of the same product.

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Love sees the light

The bra containing a mini-computer that keeps track of a woman's ovulation and indicates, with the flashing lights, her degree of fertility, the newspaper said. The inventor it, the Daily Express newspaper reported yesterday.

London (UPI) — A scientist has invented a birth control device — an electronic bra that flashes a red or green light to indicate when it is safe to have sex with the woman wearing it, the Daily Express newspaper reported yesterday.

Just kidding

LIBERTY, Mo. (AP) — An Enid, Okla., couple were stopped by five police cruisers over the weekend. And they weren't even speeding.

But their children had placed a sign in the rear window that said: "Help. We're being kidnaped."

After they were stopped and let in on the joke, the parents didn't think it was funny. Police left the matter in their hands.

QUESTIONS FOR BUREAUCRATS...

Dear Editors:

Years ago when the Left's pot smokers were victims of The Midnight Knock, the Right snickered. Then the Right began experiencing The Midnight Knock. Remember that Maryland collector whose inert grenade got him a BATF bullet in the brain?

How long will it take people to realize that The Government is The Enemy? Everyone has his own pet ox he doesn't want gored, and to Hell with everyone else's. So the cancer of Government spreads. The sheep become apathetic or brainwashed by Tweedledee and Tweedledum—and the cancer spreads.

There is a ray of hope from time to time, however. I can't imagine how the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act passed (with 1984 so few years away), but some people are making good use of it. Bill Drexler, the tax rebel (Box 22569, San Diego, CA 92122), designed a "Public Servant's Questionnaire." He claims that "public servants" are required by law to answer the questions on it. It reportedly is very effective in dealing with bureaucrats, most of whom do not like to reveal personal information, such as their home address. I haven't had a chance to use one yet, but am looking forward to it. I believe that after San Jose a stack of these should be at every Gun Show....

Jim Phelps
New York, New York

Soldier of Fortune March '79

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