

Citizens and citizens?

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The ideas in this article flow from (and help explain) the previous "Federal v. National" article (this issue). Likewise, the numbers (#1, #2, etc.) in this article refer to the previous two-page diagram describing "Federal/National Government Relationships."

As sovereign Citizens, we created the Federal Government as our political agent and "public servant". As our creation, the Federal Government works for us and beneath us. Its immediate political subdivisions include the three branches of the Federal government (like Congress) as well as the several quasi-sovereign "federal" States of the Union (like "Texas" or "Delaware").

However, the Federal government also indirectly includes the corporate states (such as the "STATE OF TEXAS") which appear to be "political subdivisions" of Congress. Just because Congress is a political subdivision of "our" Federal government does not prevent Congress from creating its own political subdivisions and agencies such as the corporate

states and "national" government. Wheels within wheels.

On the face of it, there's nothing unconstitutional in this arrangement. However, this "national within federal" system includes an incredible deception and a secret betrayal of the American people.

We have been collectively tricked, deceived, lured and seduced into surrendering our birthright as "Citizens" (#2) created by and subject only to God (#1) in return for the lowly status of "citizens" (#14) who are created by and *subject* to Congress (#9A), the National government (#12), and the corporate bureaucracies (#13).

Through this deception, the Federal government's creators (the People) have become the National government's creations (14th Amendment citizens). The sovereigns have become the subjects; the servants have become the masters and the "natural" order of the Declaration of July 4th, 1776 has been reversed.

You can't get there from here?

The question is whether the reversal that changed sovereigns

into servants can be "re-reversed". That is, is it possible for those who've been deceived into accepting the status of "citizens" to recover their birthright and regain their natural status as "Citizens"?

Absolutely.

The only question is whether that return can be achieved peacefully through law or violently through a shooting revolution.

The answer depends on both the National government (#12) and the "citizens" (#14). If the "citizens" remain too lazy to study and learn to recognize their own predicament, there's little chance for a peaceful restoration of Citizenship through law and politics.

Likewise, no peaceful solution is possible if the National government is too stubborn to emancipate its "citizens". Thus, if the People stay ignorant or the government refuses to surrender its power, the situation will continue as is – until someone starts shooting.

However, there's no sense in starting a shooting revolution to free a mob of incompetents who

lack the intelligence, morality or education necessary to be free. To suddenly free a mob like that which currently populates the U.S. will only precipitate the formation of a government like that which replaced the Czar's after the Russian Revolution.

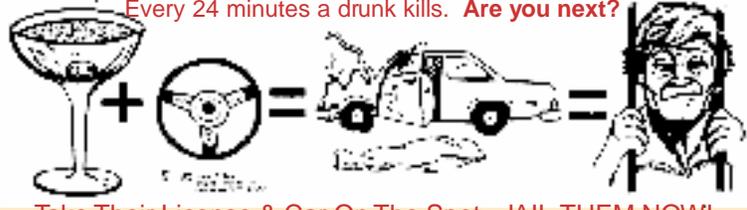
Decentralized powers

I've speculated previously in this issue that government's *centralized* power is inversely proportional to the public's *de-centralized* power. If so, the decentralized internet that empowers the people must also *dis-empower* centralized government.

If government power is declining, then National government may be increasingly unable to stop "citizens" from regaining their status as "Citizens". This is good news since you can't very well have a shooting revolution if one side is too weak to shoot. If government is growing too weak to resist a return to Citizenship, the chances for a peaceful restoration are increased.

More importantly, the internet is an *educational* medium through which all Americans can learn to distinguish between "citizens" and "Citizens". We are learning to more accurately perceive and explain the differences between the two classes of citizenship. As we do, the "citizens" will be increasingly empowered to intelligently and intentionally choose which status they wish to embrace: that of the free and fully

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responsible Citizen or that of limited-liability citizen (subject).

The most important consequence of this education is to elevate the people's educational status from that of an ignorant mob only fit for "citizenship" to that of individuals both capable and worthy of being free Citizens endowed with unalienable Rights.

The dignity of choice

The choice between free Citizen and citizen-subject is not automatic. Given the opportunity to choose, many Americans – perhaps most – would choose to remain as 14th Amendment "citizen" subjects.

Freedom is not an easy state of affairs. Most people are too old, too young, too weak, ignorant, addicted or incompetent to function as free (moral) men. Such people may rationally choose to remain as government's protected citizen-subjects. This kind of choice has

Biblical precedent where emancipated slaves or servants are afforded the opportunity to voluntarily resubmit themselves to their masters. They are lawfully entitled to recognize that they are better off as slaves and therefore "free" to reject freedom.

But some Americans, perhaps many, will have the spiritual strength, personal pride or even arrogance needed to choose to reclaim their heritage of unalienable Rights and accept the full responsibilities of Freedom.

Unpleasant truths

"Patriot" dogma has declared for decades that we all live in an either-or world where only one form of government (Federal or National) and one form of citizenship (Citizen or citizen) can survive. But just as government has deceived us into accepting the status of 14th Amendment citizens, the patriots (whether they know it or not) are "deceiving" themselves into believing that we must instead accept *only* the status of sovereign Citizen. These mutually exclusive positions of both government and patriots are equally invalid.

I believe there is room in America for both the Federal and National governments, and both Citizens and citizens.

One truth is unpleasant but undeniable: most Americans are amoral (see "The Amoral Majority," AntiShyster Vol. 9 No. 3) or



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otherwise unfit to be free. For patriots to demand the full rights and responsibilities of Citizenship for such people is equivalent to insisting that all children left home alone be given matches.

A second truth is infuriating and also undeniable: some Americans are not only morally fit to be free, they are almost incapable of enduring a world which denies them the freedoms and responsibilities that were granted by God, declared in our 1776 Declaration and protected by the Federal Constitution. For them, 14th Amendment citizenship is an unholy, intolerable curse.

To force or deceive such good, moral people into accepting the subject status of citizen is not only a political offense but also a spiritual tragedy that denies them the Right to worship their God as free men.

A civilized alternative

Why not establish a political system that openly allows both classes of citizenship? Those who choose to be citizens and enjoy the benefits *and duties* (like paying income tax) of a legislative democracy under a National government may do so. Alternatively, others may choose to live as free and fully responsible Citizens under God in a Federal Republic that only protects them against abuse by government. Such people would not receive government benefits like unemployment, Social Security and limited liability from lawsuits. On the other hand, they wouldn't have to pay income tax or insure their automobiles.

I don't pretend a "dual" system would be easily implemented. But why not openly allow both systems? The only impediments are the government's historic deceptions and our own ignorance. Once they admit their deceit and we face up to our ignorance,

there's no reason to fight for either government citizenship or patriot Citizenship. Likewise, there's no reason to terminate the Federal or National government. We need, and could have, both.

Just because *most* Americans are currently unfit for the responsibilities of freedom does not justify compelling *all* Americans to accept the status of citizen-subjects. If America is to truly remain the "Land of the Free," there must be some publicly recognized procedure that allows at least some of us to live as Citizens.

In the end, a recognition of both kinds of citizenship may not cause much outward change in America. But it will cause great inward change since the government will be operating without deception and Americans will be afforded the dignity of personal choice that can only make all Americans – citizens and Citizens, alike – proud of themselves and envied by the world. ■

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