



SNYDER URGES CCW AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE

John Michael Snyder, CCRKBA Public Affairs Director, last month urged participants at a national political conference to support federal reciprocity CCW legislation.

Holding up an official copy of H. R. 339, the proposed Right to Safety and Personal Protection Act introduced by Rep. Clifford B. Stearns of Florida, Snyder called "for a federal law which will allow a citizen who has a permit to carry a concealed firearm in any state to be able to carry that firearm in any state."

He said H.R. 339 "will do just that" and invited conference participants to "ask your U. S. Representatives to become cosponsors of this measure."

Current H. R. 339 cosponsors include Reps. James Barcia (MI), Bob Barr (GA), Roscoe Bartlett (MD), Ed Bryant (TN), Barbara Cubin (WY), Jo Ann Emerson (MO), Virgil Goode (VA), Ralph Hall (TX), James Hansen (UT), Tim Holden (PA), John Hostettler (IN), Ron Lewis (KY), David McIntosh (IN), John Murtha (PA), Charles Norwood (GA), John Peterson (PA), Charles Pickering (MS), Nick Rahall (WV), Pete Sessions (TX), Bob Stump (AZ), Gene Taylor (MS), Wes Watkins (OK), Roger Wicker (MS) and Don Young (AK).

Snyder addressed the national 24th annual Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) in Washington, D. C. on March 6. It was attended by about 1,000 individuals from throughout the United States.

He said "the right to own firearms, and the ability to exercise the right to self-defense, is beneficial to society as well as to the law-abiding individuals in society.

"At least 31 states already have adopted public policies allowing law-abiding citizens to carry concealed firearms.

"By adopting such policies, legislators truly show they really believe in the empowerment of the people. This empowers law-abiding citizens to defend themselves and their loved ones from violent, brutal criminal predators. Those who preach empowerment of the people but fail to endorse such policies show themselves up for the hypocrites they really are.

"Let's see to it that the right of individual law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms, the right to self-defense, the right to protect our society from violent, brutal, predatory criminals, the right to preserve, protect and defend innocent life itself, is maintained and strengthened."

At CPAC, Snyder was moderator of a panel discussion on "Social Issues for America's Future."

Panelists included Wayne LaPierre, Executive Vice President of the National Rifle Association of America (NRA), Michael Farris, President of the Home School Legal Defense Association, and Peggy Jackson, Communications Director of the Evergreen Freedom Foundation.

Other Conference speakers included Sen. Trent Lott of Mississippi, the U. S. Senate Majority Leader, Rep. Newt Gingrich of Georgia, Speaker of the U. S. House of Representatives, Jack F. Kemp, the 1996 Republican Vice Presidential nominee, and David A. Keene, Chairman of the American Conservative Union (ACU).

CCRKBA, NRA and ACU were among the dozens of CPAC cosponsors.

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GOTTLIEB TESTIFIES ON GUN SAFE STORAGE BILL

Alan M. Gottlieb, CCRKBA Chairman, testified last month in support of a firearms safe storage bill. He presented his testimony before the House Law and Justice Committee of the Washington State Legislature.

Gottlieb stated he supported an unamended bill introduced by Rep. Ida Ballasiotes "relating to the safe storage of firearms."

"This bill is the result of months of many meetings and hard work of a number of diverse groups who have put many differences aside to come up with a proposal that encourages safe storage of firearms aimed at increasing child safety

while at the same time protecting the rights of gun owners to access firearms for self-defense in a manner they feel is best suited to their needs.

"I support this bill because under current law a gun owner who stores or leaves a loaded firearm in a location where the person knows, or reasonably should know, that a child is likely to gain access, and a child obtains possession of the firearm that results in death or injury, could be prosecuted.

"The Ballasiotes bill (HB 2078) creates exemptions to prosecution if the loaded firearm is stored properly, supervised by an adult, obtained by unlawful entry,

or the child's access to the firearm is in accordance with the provisions of RCW chapter 9.41.042.

"In addition, this bill does not mandate how or where a firearm must be stored. Gun owners still have the freedom of choice what for best suits their needs of self-defense.

"The bill also establishes uniform Department of Licensing issued signs for gun dealers to post to encourage responsible gun storage.

"I am not in support of any other bills dealing with the storage of firearms or child access prevention legislation."



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During CPAC, John Snyder greeted the U. S. Senate Majority Leader, Trent Lott of

CCRKBA EXTOLS REP. CRANE ON SECOND AMENDMENT RESOLUTION

“Early in the 105th Congress,” reports John Michael Snyder, CCRKBA Public Affairs Director, “Congressman Philip M. Crane of Illinois introduced House Concurrent Resolution 28, a measure affirming the Second Amendment right of individual citizens to keep and bear arms.”

Two other Congressmen, Reps. Roscoe Bartlett of Maryland and Roger Wicker of Mississippi, joined Rep. Crane and became original cosponsors of H. Con. Res. 28.

Snyder said he encourages all CCRKBA Members and Supporters to write their own U. S. Representative and ask him or her to become a cosponsor of H. Con. Res. 28, which has been referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

Beginning in 1984, Rep. Crane, a CCRKBA Congressional Advisor, CCRKBA Gun Rights Defender of the Month Awardee, CCRKBA Gun Rights Defender of the Year Awardee and CCRKBA Special Lifetime Achievement Awardee, has offered identical resolutions in each consecutive Congress at CCRKBA request.

“The freedom loving people in the United States owe Congressman Crane a tremendous debt of gratitude for his persistence and for his dedication to the individual right to keep and bear arms as evidenced by his continuing introduction of this Second Amendment resolution,” said Snyder.

Rep. Crane now is Chairman of the Subcommittee on Trade of the House Committee on Ways and Means.

In introducing H. Con. Res. 28, Congressman stated on February 27 that “continuing a tradition begun in the 98th Congress, today I once again introduce legislation which reaffirms the commitment of this body to protect the Second Amendment to the Constitution.

“The Founding Fathers recognized the right of men to defend themselves, and guaranteed Americans that this right would be preserved by the Second Amendment, At the time of our Nation’s founding, guaranteeing this right was an idea foreign to the monarchies that ruled most of the world. James Madison noted this when he wrote that the right to keep and bear arms was an advantage

which Americans possess over the people of almost every other nation.

“The 104th Congress did not bring the type of assault on the Second Amendment as we saw in the 103rd Congress. However, unfortunately, the 104th Congress was unable to reverse or repeal some of the more egregious errors made in this area by past Congresses. Indeed, only the House succeeded in passing legislation to repeal one such law, the so-called federal assault weapon ban.

“Gun control laws have never worked to reduce crime in America. Washington, D. C. has some of the most restrictive gun control laws in America, yet leads the Nation in per capita murders. My own State of Illinois has some very tough standards before its citizens can legally possess firearms, yet since those laws went into effect, the crime and murder rates have dramatically increased.

“I find it necessary, therefore, to remind my colleagues that our Nation’s crime problems cannot be solved by infringing upon the rights of peaceful law-abiding Americans to own arms. Instead of an attack on guns, our laws should focus on keeping behind bars the small percentage of criminals who are responsible for committing the vast majority of crimes in the United States. Law-abiding gun owners are not a threat to peace in America, rather criminals threaten the peace and security of our families.

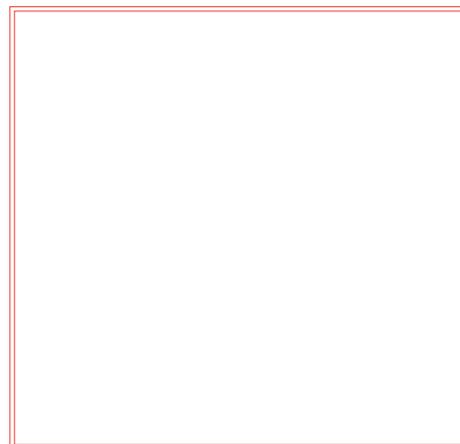
“We must demonstrate to Americans that we are resolved to protecting this right by supporting this resolution to reaffirm the Second Amendment and the right of individuals to keep and bear arms, and I urge my colleagues to join as cosponsors of this resolution.”

H. Con. Res. 28, if passed, would put Congress on record specifically as reaffirming the individual right to keep and bear arms stipulated in the Second Amendment.

“H. Con. Res. 28

“Expressing the sense of the Congress with respect to the right of all Americans to keep and bear arms in defense of life or liberty and in the pursuit of all other legitimate endeavors.

“Whereas, the Second Amendment to



the Constitution of the United States conveys an inalienable right to all American citizens, such right occupying the same preferred position as all other constitutional rights; and

“Whereas unconscionable abridgements of the Second Amendment have been undertaken over the years by State and local governmental bodies, and have been allowed by the courts to stand uncorrected; and

“Whereas, the Framers of the Second Amendment to the Constitution and those who ratified the Second Amendment intended that the individual retain the right to keep and bear arms in order to protect life, liberty and property and to protect our Nation from those who would attempt to destroy our freedom: Now, therefore, be it

“Resolved by the House of the Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that the Constitution provides that all individual citizens have the right to keep and bear arms, which right supersedes the power



CCRKBA SEATTLE AREA LEADER AN OUTSTANDING PACIFIC NORTHWEST

CCRKBA and the Second Amendment Foundation (SAF), in cooperation with the Washington Arms Collectors (WAC), the Washington State Rifle & Pistol Association and the National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action (NRA-ILA), recently held the 26th Leadership Training Conference in the series of the conferences.

The all day affair for citizen activists throughout the Pacific Northwest took place early last month at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Bellevue, Washington, adjacent to Seattle.

Conference delegates were treated to a series of lectures and seminars on how to become a more effective member of the gun rights movement.

With over 250 attendees, this was one of the most well attended of the conferences to date. "Attendance has been growing over the years," stated Ken Jacobson, CCRKBA Executive Director, "but the turnout for this conference is unprecedented. Fewer than 50 people attended our first Leadership Training Conference in 1990, so we've clearly come a long way."

Previous conferences have been held in such diverse locations as Phoenix, Arizona; Houston, Texas; Denver, Colorado; Chicago, Illinois; Los Angeles, California; Newark, New Jersey; Minneapolis, Minnesota; Tampa, Florida; Columbus, Ohio; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Syracuse, New York; Richmond, Virginia; San Francisco, California; Boston, Massachusetts; Honolulu, Hawaii; Las Vegas, Nevada; St. Louis, Missouri; Gatlinburg, Tennessee; San Antonio, Texas; San Diego, California; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Orlando, Florida; and Detroit, Michigan.

The conference focused on local and regional political action. Important Washington State issues received significant emphasis. Joe Waldron, Chief Lobbyist for the Gun Owners Action League of Washington, presented a Washington State legislative update. He informed the audience about details of a dangerous new initiative filed on behalf of Washington Ceasefire, a Handgun Control, Inc. affiliate.

"If I-676 gets on the ballot this year and passes," Waldron warned, "we are

facing a mandatory handgun registration system in Washington State. This initiative should be anathema to gun owners. Not only does it mandate that handgun owners be licensed by the state, but it also requires the registration of each individual handgun you own, even those bought via legal private party transactions. Under this initiative, if an otherwise law-abiding citizen were to be discovered in possession of an unregistered handgun, it will be considered 'contraband' and will be confiscated."

Waldron pointed out that initiative proponents still face the formidable task of gathering over 179,000 valid signatures before the November election. "Educate friends and family about this anti-gun, constitutionally questionable initiative and tell them not to sign it," he urged. "Maybe we can kill this thing before it ever gets on the ballot."

Neal Knox, NRA First Vice President, gave a national legislative update. He praised the four states which passed "shall issue" concealed carry legislation in 1996, bringing the total number of "shall issue" states up to 31.

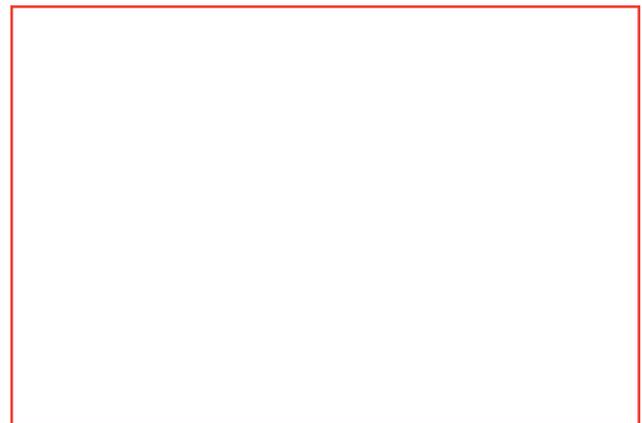
Knox also emphasized the danger of President Clinton's ability to affect gun rights through executive orders. "Executive orders can be overturned by Congress," said Knox, "but it hardly ever happens. Now is the time to keep the pressure on."

After concluding his presentation, Knox answered various queries from the audience about gun laws in other states, recent gun-related judicial decisions, and the NRA itself.

John Barnett, SAF Projects Director and WAC Board Member, delivered a talk on "Knowing Your Enemy and the Importance of Coalitions." He warned gun rights activists to look deeper than labels when judging the motives of interest groups.

"Gun owners usually mention outfits like Handgun Control, Inc. and the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence when

asked to name enemies of gun rights," said Barnett. "They may not think of groups which are virulently anti-gun, but masquerade as unbiased community groups and professional organizations. One example of such an organization is the government funded Centers for Disease Control (CDC), which has turned out a relentless stream of anti-gun propaganda in the form of biased 'studies.' However, recently the pro-gun Congress has caught on to CDC's political adventurism and exanguinated the funding for their gun-grabbing propaganda pieces, which have been passed off as credible research to the media."



"Medical associations can be a problem because they frequently and disingenuously imply that their members' status as professional healers somehow qualifies them as experts on the criminological issue of the efficacy of gun control in reducing crime."

Barnett suggested that gun owners become more active in community and professional organizations, and search out and counteract covert bias. "Even becoming an active member of your local PTA would help tremendously," he said. "They are the people who decide what your children learn or all too often what they don't learn about firearms in school."

Barnett emphasized the importance of coalition building as key to legislative success, pointing out that Washington

LEADERSHIP TRAINING CONFERENCE NORTHWEST GUN RIGHTS SUCCESS

State was the premier example of cooperation between gun rights organizations. He explained that for the past several years organizations such as CCRKBA, NRA, SAF, Washington Arms Collectors, Gun Owners Action League of Washington and dozens of other state and local groups have united in Washington State to fight a common foe - the gun grabbers. These organizations have put forth a common effort to help preserve, protect and defend the right to keep and bear arms in the state. "While we may not always agree 100 percent on every issue," said Barnett, "the coalition that we have created has been a driving force in safeguarding our freedoms."

James Kielland, CCRKBA Grass Roots Coordinator, also discussed coalition building. "Don't get so hung up on ideological purity that you alienate someone who may be willing so support your cause in certain areas," Kielland advised. "Compromise and cooperation do have their place in a successful battle against the anti-gunners."

Attendees also had the chance to discuss political advocacy's leap into cyberspace with Julianne Versnel Gottlieb, Publisher of WOMEN & GUNS Magazine. The cyberculture of the internet has proved to be a fertile ground for the gun rights debate, she said, and the web is also an invaluable resource for factual information relating to gun rights. For instance, many government agencies have made statutes, regulations and statistics relevant to firearms available on the internet, if you know where to look. "This is an invaluable tool which pro-gun activists shouldn't pass up simply because they may not know how to take advantage of it yet," Julie Gottlieb indicated.

Washington State Sen. Pam Roach, a Republican, and Rep. Tim Sheldon, a Democrat, made appearances to discuss effective networking with the two major political parties. Roach emphasized the importance of "building bridges" with your local party organization to insure that your concerns about gun-related legislation are heard.

"Become a precinct committee officer for your party," she suggested. "It's a manageable time commitment and really

gets you on the inside of the political process."

Sheldon stressed letter writing and direct communication to elected officials as a way to have an impact on policy. "The single most effective kind of lobbyist is a constituent," he declared.

Both elected officials have long been strong supporters of gun rights during their respective tenures in the Washington State Legislature.

Well known local radio talk show host Kirby Wilbur gave a keynote address on the history of the Second Amendment, and answered questions about gun rights and the mass media.

Conferees got a rare treat in Alan M. Gottlieb's seminar on funding grass roots efforts. Gottlieb, CCRKBA Chairman and SAF Founder, shared knowledge gleaned from more than 25 years of successful political fund raising. Widely considered a "direct mail genius" in many political circles, Gottlieb spoke at length about the necessity of keeping supporters informed and energized. "It's incredibly important to let your supporters know exactly what you are doing with their money, and why their individual contribution does make a difference," he advised. "Without the ability to raise money," he said, "no modern political campaign or pro-gun rights movement has a chance to make a significant impact."

Throughout the conference, Washington State's two NRA Board Members, Dave Workman and Irv Benzion, served as panel moderators for the numerous interactive question and answer segments.

Workman, a professional journalist, decried the prejudice of a majority of his colleagues. "We are the victims of social bigotry," he argued. "They are speaking about us (gun owners) with the language

of hate."

Benzion took a more personal perspective, recounting the positive experience of teaching his granddaughter Vanessa, now 16 and the youngest person present at the conference, how properly and safely to use firearms. "We have to invest time and resources in our children and grandchildren," he said, "for if we fail to teach them about our precious constitutional freedoms like the right to keep and bear arms, it may not be there for them or for their children."

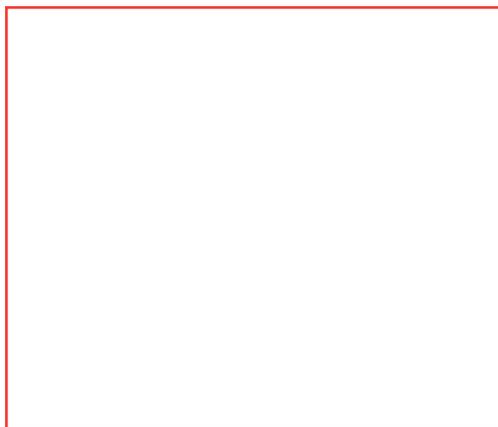
The Seattle Leadership Training Conference was particularly noteworthy in that it garnered a large amount of media attention. MSNBC, the Microsoft-NBC joint venture cable network, sent a producer and camera crew to cover

the conference from beginning to end. The New York based crew interviewed extensively professional lobbyists as well as more than a dozen conference attendees for a special report on the gun rights movement. ABC and CBS network affiliates also were on

hand to record the event.

"I don't think it would be going too far to say that this has been the most successful Leadership Training Conference ever," Alan Gottlieb said at the close of the day. "We had near record-breaking attendance, excellent media coverage and a truly excellent cadre of speakers."

"In the seven years since we started offering these conferences, they have become something of an institution in the gun rights movement. The conferences have become much anticipated events which promote the dissemination of important information and also help bring various local groups into better communication with each other. I think that everyone involved in this event can



CARLSON OF SEATTLE THE CCRKBA AWARDEE

Doc Remington Carlson of Seattle, Washington is the designated recipient of the CCRKBA Gun Rights Defender of the Month Award for April.

Carlson is a long-time member of CCRKBA, the Second Amendment Foundation and Washington Arms Collectors, and is a Benefactor Member of the National Rifle Association of America.

CCRKBA chose Carlson as this month's Awardee for his tireless dedication to preserve, protect and defend our precious constitutional freedom to own and possess private firearms. His relentless efforts have been above and beyond the call of duty.

In nominating Carlson for the Award, John C. Barnett, Jr., CCRKBA Membership Services Coordinator, stated that "Doc has risen from the masses and has become an example to all, as to what the true definition of grass roots activism can be.

"He has emerged as a competent media source speaking for the individual gun owner in Washington State and across the Nation on dozens of radio and television programs and in countless newspaper articles.

"He often has served as a lone voice against the gun grabbers when CCRKBA staff members are tied up temporarily on other important interviews and strategy sessions.

"In fact, Carlson is the founder, writer, director, executive producer and star of the only weekly live pro-gun public access cable television program in the



country. He has more than 10,000 shows under his belt. After a broadcast, Doc routinely will receive hundreds of phone calls and inquiries from gun owners across the greater Seattle metropolitan area. As a result of his television show, CCRKBA's national headquarters often lights up with people requesting information or joining up right on the spot.

"I believe that Doc's mission and purpose behind the long hours of preparation required for hosting a one man weekly television show is to motivate and encourage the gun owner to do more than just sending in membership dues. If people want to enhance their level of activism one of the first things to look for is one of the regional CCRKBA Leadership Training Conferences com-

ing soon to your area. With almost 30 of these events already conducted, one is sure to be in your area right around the corner."

Born April 20, 1952 in Seattle, Washington, Doc Carlson graduated in 1970 from Nathan Hale High School in Seattle.

He served for seven years in the United States Air Force as a member of the Special Operations Group, as a Weapons Specialist and as a Military Policeman. He left military service in 1977 with a rank as an E-6.

He graduated from the University of Maryland with a liberal arts degree in 1975.

Barnett said that now Doc, "in addition to his many grass roots media appearances, is a precinct committee officer in his local area.

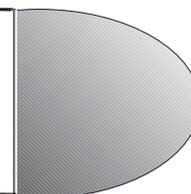
"Doc is and has been one of the most dedicated volunteers with whom I have had the high privilege of working. He has spent countless hours working at gun shows, pro-gun rights events and political campaigns, as well as countless other functions. I can recall many occasions when Doc would go so far as even to take his vacation time from work. He would rely on public transportation. He would spend hours in miserable weather conditions just so that he would be on hand to offer his help and expertise for a particular event.

"Frequently, one day can be as long as 18 hours when you factor in transit time and the event itself. When the call goes out, though, Doc is always there. I





QUICK SHOTS



In Washington, D. C., CCRKBA announced its firm and determined opposition to H. R. 787, by Rep. Major R. Owens of New York, to prohibit the manufacture, importation, exportation, sale, purchase, transfer, receipt, possession or transfer of handguns and handgun ammunition.

CCRKBA indicated it also opposes H.R. 788, by Rep. Owens, to expand the powers of BATF to regulate the manufacture, distribution and sale of firearms and ammunition, and to expand the jurisdiction of BATF to include firearms products and nonpowder firearms.

Both H. R. 787 and H. R. 788 were referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.



A legislative attempt to require so-called handgun safety locks has been mounted in Congress.

In the Senate, for instance, Sen. Herbert H. Kohl of Wisconsin introduced S. 428, which would require the inclusion of trigger locks when licensees sell handguns to non-licensees. It also would require the inclusion of a printed handgun safety warning when handguns are sold.

Referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, it includes Sens. Barbara Boxer of California, John Chafee of Rhode Island and Richard Durbin of Illinois as cosponsors.

In the House of Representatives, Rep. Charles E. Schumer of New York introduced H. R. 1047, which is similar to S. 428. Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary, its cosponsors include Reps. Thomas Barrett of Wisconsin, John Conyers of Michigan, Jim Davis of Illinois, Diana DeGette of Colorado, Bob Filner of California, Patrick Kennedy of Rhode Island, William Lipinski of Illinois, Zoe Lofgren of California, Thomas Manton of New York, Carolyn McCarthy of New York, Eleanor Holmes Norton of the District of Columbia, John Edward Porter of Illinois, Jose Serrano of New York and Sidney Yates of Illinois.

Also in the House, Rep. Earl Blumenauer introduced H. R. 814 and Rep. Juanita Millender-McDonald introduced

H. R. 1074, which were referred to the Judiciary Committee.

In the meantime, President Bill Clinton directed all federal agencies to require safety locks with every handgun issued to a law enforcement agency.



Early last month, Clinton ordered BATF to tighten a regulation requiring legal immigrants to prove that they have been residents of the state in which they wish to buy a gun for at least 90 days.

The tightening will require prospective buyers to attest that they are residents of the state in which they wish to buy a gun. Clinton specified that all immigrants prove their residences by photo identification and documents like utility bills.

Clinton also indicated he supports legislation that would ban foreign visitors from buying or carrying firearms, with certain exceptions, such as foreigners in the country for hunting trips or firearms competitions.

Among the legislative proposals introduced to this effect are S. 380, by Sens. Richard Durbin of Illinois, Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts and Herbert Kohl of Wisconsin, which was referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee, and H. R. 844, by Rep. Alcee Hastings of Florida, and H. R. 949, by Reps. Nita Lowey, Eliot Engel and Carolyn McCarthy, all of New York, which were referred to the House Judiciary Committee.



In Moscow, Russia, in February, Mikhail T. Kalashnikov celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the AK-47, the Avtomat Kalashnikov which he designed in 1947.



"The ruling class doesn't care about public safety," said former Sen. Malcolm Wallop of Wyoming last month. "Having made it very difficult for states and localities to police themselves, having left ordinary citizens with no choice but to protect themselves as best they can,

they now try to take our guns away. In fact, they blame us and our guns for crime. This is so wrong that it cannot be an honest mistake." Wallop is on the CCRKBA National Advisory Council.



James T. McHugh, the Catholic Bishop of Camden, New Jersey, in 1974 as director of the Family Life Division of the U. S. Catholic Conference came out in favor of registration of all firearms, licensing of all gun owners, special licensing for handguns and a total ban on inexpensive handguns. He even advocated the searching of private homes if necessary to enforce these measures.

Now he's in line for appointment as Archbishop of Washington, D. C. when the current incumbent retires. McHugh's accession to such a post in the Nation's Capital would be a catastrophe. Protests could be sent to Most Rev. Agostino Cacciavillan, Apostolic Pro Nuncio, 3339 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20008; His Eminence Bernardin Cardinal Gantin, Cardinal Prefect, the Congregation of Bishops, Piazza Pio XII 10, 00193 Rome, Italy; and His Eminence Alfonso Cardinal Lopez, President, Pontifical Council for the Family, Piazza S. Ciliata 16, 00153 Rome, Italy.



The Army Material Command is directing an inventory of all arms on hand in preparation for sending about 90 percent of them to destruction at Anniston Arsenal, reports the U. S. Center for Military History. Curators at the Center had set aside several thousand historically significant guns, such as M1 Garands, M1 carbines, Krag rifles and carbines, BAR's and Thompsons, for future use by military museums in their system. Readers of POINT BLANK who wish to voice their concerns regarding the destruction of these historic and valuable firearms could write to Dave Cole, Deputy Curator for Policy, US Army Center for Military History, DAMH-MD, 1099 Fourteenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20005-3402, or telephone him at (202) 761-5373.

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