and maybe castration as the instant punishment.
How can they give out compulsory condoms and still outlaw any sexual thought much less action? How can something be "indecent exposure" at Tailhook and yet be compulsory in barracks and showers in the name of "gender-blinding"? How can we possibly make sense out of this crazy quilt of sexual attitudes? Perhaps the answer is this: the Enemy is what used to be called "normal," or "masculine," or "hetero-sex." Anything else, any kind of transgendering, is good, healthy, a liberating "orientation," etc. That seems to be what the military, and the rest of us, are in for.

Well, one thing I'm sure of. After a steady diet of the new culture, we won't have to worry about the military and its "masculine culture." It will be very interesting to see what will happen when the new, liberated, sensitive, feminized, gayized, and trans-genderized Army, Navy, and Air Force run up against the Serbs, who, God bless them!, haven't caught up with the modern world yet.

To repeat a point I've made elsewhere: who would you rather have defend you, a feminized, gayized, de-machoized military, or a group of Serbs? Think about it.

The Bosnian Serbs Stand Tall
by M.N.R.

In a world that honors charlatans, plagiarists, and multiculturals Reds, I wonder if we still have the capacity to recognize and salute authentic heroes. If we do, we should acknowledge the historic moment in the early morning of May 6 when the parliament of the Serbian Republic of Bosnia took its final stand, and told the paladins of the "international community" to go to Hell, and, in effect, offered to send them there.

At the Heavenly Valley Hotel near the ski slopes of Mount Jahorina, twenty miles southeast of Sarajevo, the Serbian Republic parliament considered the Vance-Owen peace plan for the third and last time. Tremendous pressure was applied on the Bosnian Serbs. Clinton and the UN had already tightened the cruel embargo against Serbia, and President Clinton was making war threats, and muttering about bombing Serbian artillery. In addition to pleas for accepting Vance-Owen from the President of Greece, who journeyed to Mount Jahorina for the occasion, their supposedly beloved President of Serbia, Slobodan ("Slobo") Milosevic came there to plead with the Bosnian Serbs to accept the agreement, as did their leader, the shrink Radovan Karadzic, who had signed on to the plan in Greece a few days earlier. The Serbian Republic parliament had rejected the plan twice before, but now the pressure was piled on from their supposed maximum leaders.

After many hours of consideration and debate, however, the Serbian Parliament of Bosnia overwhelmingly rejected the Vance-Owen plan, by a vote of 51 to 2, although 12 deputies abstained, and 17 had left the assembly in defeat before the vote was taken.

Our supposed champions of "democracy," of course, pursued their usual course of implicitly defining "democracy" as "voting the way I say." Have you ever noticed how quick our liberal/Official Conservative/neocon Establishment is to denigrate and smear democratic voting that goes the "wrong" way? From the very beginning, our "objective" media denigrated and sneered at the Bosnian Serb parliament, continuously referring to it as "self-styled," "self-proclaimed," "self-named," or "self-designated." Well, who do they think proclaimed, named, or designated, the parliaments of the new republics of Slovenia or Croatia? Or, for that matter, of Kazakhstan and Ukraine? I suppose that a similar Establishment in 1776 would have sneered at the Continental Congress meeting in Philadelphia as "self-designated." So
what, and which group does not arise in the same way?

Of course, these gentry could be implying that this Serbian Republican parliament of 82 delegates does not really represent the Serbs of Bosnia, that they are just a ragtag group with no influence outside the rooms in which they meet. Well, the American media people, including such war hawks as Leslie Gelb and Anthony Lewis and William Safire, are very welcome to test the proposition: to fly into Eastern Bosnia and to find out. To ask some Serbs on the spot whom they follow. It would be an interesting experiment in cultural exchange and "learning about other peoples." Somehow I think that Gelb & Co. would not last very long.

Americans have always been constitutionally incapable of thinking that designated enemy countries really back any policy contrary to the U.S. Establishment. At first, the theory was that Slob was the bad guy, an evil Commie who was somehow manipulating, and dictating to, the Serbs of Bosnia. They never understood that Comrie, Shmomme, Milosevic is a Serb: Right, Left, and Center are not important in this context. So how come Slobo pleased for peace, and the Bosnian Serb Parliament listened politely and then voted the other way? At first the American Establishment thought it was a devilish trick by Slobo, until they finally became convinced that Gee, Slobo seems to have become a Good Guy and yet the Bosnian Serbs are still intransigent.

Then the focus shifted to the shrink Dr. Karadzic. He is their leader, and if he can be pressured into folding, surely the slavish Bosnian Serb masses would follow. But no, once again, Parliament heard Karadzic to the end, and then voted the other way.

What got into the Serbs?

What got into them is very simple. These Bosnian Serb delegates are on the front lines, they and their men have been fighting and dying. Inch by inch and yard by yard, in a fierce and savage conflict, they have finally taken almost all the Serb areas in Bosnia. And then you expect them to listen to Slob, fresh from sitting safely in Belgrade, or even Dr. Karadzic, from his comfortable medical office in Sarajevo? Counselling them to lay down their arms? Never, for accepting the Vance-Owen plan would mean, first and foremost, that the Bosnian Serbs would have to abandon almost half the territory they fought and bled over, pulling out from their occupation of 70 percent of Bosnia, and back to only 43 percent of Bosnian territory.

The reply of the Serbs on the spot, the men in the front lines, is simple: "Never!" Serb sentiment was best expressed by deputy Vojo Beric, a simple soldier, who vowed: "We will never live together with Muslims and Croats again. And we will never give up our territories, regardless of threats from the West." This sentiment echoes the stirring call of the Anarcho-Communist Mexican peasant leader, Emiliano Zapata: "It is better to die on your feet than live on your knees!"

But the Serbs were also very shrewd in this great crisis. They voted for a decisive referendum by all Bosnian Serbs on the Vance-Owen plan. There is no doubt how the Serbian masses of Bosnia will vote. The American Establishment sputters that the referendum is only a "delaying tactic," which of course it is, but it is also much more: for it takes all the prattle of the American Social Democrat Establishment about "democracy" and hurls it right back in their face. Surely, the United States cannot start bombing the Serbs until the referendum is allowed to take place. In the meanwhile, every day in every way the Serbs consolidate their gains.

Americans who oppose the madness of Bosnian intervention should rejoice at the Bosnian Serb rejection of Vance-Owen. For if they had accepted the plan, the U.S. was committed to sending 25,000 ground troops (!) as part of a UN "peacekeeping" force of 75,000 to police the entire little-understood patchwork of boundaries that constitute the plan. The US and other UN soldiers would have gotten bogged down fighting against at least three sets of armies, each hiding behind every hill, tree, and cave in mountainous and heavily forested Bosnia. It would have been a nightmare, a Lebanon many times over. And the excuse for all the bloodshed would have been the phony moralism that "after all, the Serbs are violating their own agreement."

Now that the Serbs have happily rejected Vance-Owen, however, the US can no longer march in under cover of a UN
"peacekeeping" or peace-enforcing army. With luck, the U.S. will be all on its own, aimlessly bombing alleged gun emplacements, in hills where there is artillery in every cave, and every soldier has his handheld anti-aircraft missile, mortar and machine gun to shoot down American planes. The U.S. lost 2,500 planes to the Vietnamese; here they will face a trained Serbian guerrilla force heavily armed for decades with American weapons (supposedly against the Soviets.)

With luck, public pressure in the U.S. and Pentagon advisers will keep Clinton from going into Bosnia. But if he does, we can hope that Slick Willie and his entire yuppie crew come in on the first bombing run. We can be sure that the Serbs are planning to give them a very warm reception.

May Slick Willie and his entire yuppie crew come in on the first bombing run.

Kaza's First Hundred Days
by M.N.R.

While everyone is concentrating on the First Hundred Days of the horrible Clinton regime, we should not overlook the First Hundred Days of our young paleo political hero, freshman Republican Greg Kaza of the Michigan House of Representatives. In the May RRR ("Paleolib Victory in Michigan"), we pointed out how Kaza took the lead in developing a cadre of libertarian Republicans who were able to forge an alliance with Democrats to place a crucial libertarian restriction on Governor Engler's vicious "no-knock" bill. The record of Kaza's first hundred days in the legislature is now in, and it is outstanding for cleaving to principle, while being effective in either forging alliances, or in gaining losing but significant support for libertarian stands that push out the envelope of political discourse in the state of Michigan. In addition, Kaza's principled opposition has served to highlight the phoniness of Governor John Engler's much trumpeted "conservative" administration.

First, on the status of the despotic no-knock bill. After Kaza's amendment requiring two judges, including at least one circuit court judge, to approve any no-knock warrant, won by 56-48, Kaza introduced another amendment, co-sponsored by Rep. Jondahl, to restrict the scope of no-knock warrants to certain felony cases.

The Kaza amendment lost, but only by a tie vote of 53 to 53. At the end of the hundred days on April 22, the no-knock bill was still stalled in the House of Representatives.

In another action, Greg Kaza introduced a House Resolution to reject a five percent pay raise for Michigan legislators and judges for two years; the resolution was approved by 66 to 37, but unfortunately it need a two-thirds vote and so it failed by eight votes. Kaza made his mark as a determined foe of tax-and-spend in the state in other ways. He was only one of ten Representatives to vote against a bill for the State to impose "fees" (a weasel word for taxes) on milk products, but on the same day he was joined by forty-seven others to lose narrowly on a vote against state "fees" on restaurants. He was also one of only thirteen to vote against allowing county libraries to levy taxes for services.

Kaza also became the scourge of "retirement benefits" for judges. Pensions for government officials are particularly galling, because it means that taxpayers can never divest themselves of the burden of subsidizing hated officials, even after they have been repudiated at the polls. Kaza was one of only 15 to vote against increased retirement benefits for probate judges, but then he bounced back to sponsor another bill (still at first reading), making judges' pensions "subject to forfeiture" if convicted of a felony while serving in office. What a marvelous issue! How many long-suffering Michiganders have realized, until Greg