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# GOVERNMENT VS. THE PEOPLE

## Tyranny?

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# MAKE NEVADA A 100% STATE SAVE JOBS

Property owners in Nevada own and pay taxes on only 11% of the land comprising Nevada.

Control and management by the federal government is devastating the rural economy of Nevada by prohibiting full utilization of the renewable natural resources including ranching, farming, mining, prospecting, hunting, fishing and recreation.

In less than 20 years under implementation of the Wildlands Project (see [www.twp.org](http://www.twp.org)) various government agencies controlled by radical environmentalists will lock us out of all the "so called" public lands currently being managed by the BLM, Forest Service, Fish & Wildlife Service, Bur. of Reclamation, etc., etc. . .

The State of Nevada managed her unsold lands up to the time of the Taylor Grazing Act (1934) and can easily do it again.

The Yucca Mountain project is a good example of the bullying of the feds. Nevada owns Yucca Mountain yet our intimidated state leaders refuse to acknowledge the fact and take Yucca Mountain back.

Unsold lands in Nevada became the property of Nevada when Nevada became a state in 1864. Why are we still only an 11% State?

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Looking forward to the future when Nevada is a 100% state, the Nevada Foundation for Full Statehood introduces it's new **bumper sticker**.

## Bye Bye BLM

Send one to your favorite BLM agent today!

The Nevada Committee for Full Statehood has been very active promoting 100% statehood for Nevada. We had a float and horses in the **Nevada Admission Day Parade** in Carson City on October 26<sup>th</sup> (the real day Admission day is October 31). We distributed 2,000 fliers promoting 100% statehood to people watching the parade. The theme of the parade was "Nevada is Indian Territory." The Nevada Committee for Full Statehood float countered that erroneous idea with the sign featured below.



Fran Butler with Janet Holmgren and Noreen Nadeau on the Statehood float.

Kenny and Rayetta Greenwell of Fallon donated the flatbed trailer and truck for the float and Ike Yochum drove the truck. The Holmgren's, David, Jackie, and Cindy road horses while Janet helped hand out literature. Others participating in the parade were the Greenwell grandchildren, O.Q. Chris Johnson, Roy Niebling, Lynn Chapman, Carolyn Bauer, Fran Butler, David Schuman, David Horton, Bert Sax, Janine Hansen, Doug Brozyna, Joel Casey, Rose Yochum & Noreen Nadeau.

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## "Not One Drop of Water for the BLM"

On November 18, 2002 the Nevada's Legislative Committee on Public Lands met in Carson City. A bill draft was approved to amend NRS 533.503 at the 2003 Nevada Legislature concerning stockwater permits which will **"specifically provide for the issuance of joint permits including joint permits between a livestock operator and the Federal Government."**

The bill draft offers the BLM joint filing as long as one of the filers has ownership of the cattle and the adjudicated grazing preference to forage.

Joe Dahl who attended the hearing stated, **"Our original intent was to keep the BLM from getting our water rights. We should not be afraid to do what's right. We need to assure in state law that the BLM will not have any water rights. We shouldn't be afraid of offending the BLM."**

In 1998, District Judge David Gamble upheld the state law and the state engineer's 1994 denial of stockwater permits for nine Douglas county springs. These were more than 100 such water requests by the federal agency around the state. However, the State Supreme Court, in a 6-1 ruling, said the federal agency was entitled to such permits.

"It is clear," wrote Judge Gamble, **"that the Legislature intended the watering of livestock be tied to grazing permits on public land, not the ownership of the land, specifically in order to prevent the United States from obtaining sole control over the allocation of water rights that has historically been the domain of the state,"**

Judge Gamble has refused to reverse himself at the Supreme Court's order, instead he removed himself from the case saying, **"I find I cannot uphold my duties and oath as a judge while signing away this state's right to control the distribution of such a precious local resource as water to the United States, which clearly seeks to be the new arbiter of water despite its own regulation binding itself to the limits of state law."**

**"We are preparing now to oppose this usurpation of our water rights by the BLM at the Legislature,"** stated Janine Hansen, Executive Director of the Nevada Committee for Full Statehood.

**"Our slogan is 'Not one drop of water to the BLM',"** stated Jackie Holmgren, Ranching Representative for the Nevada Committee for Full Statehood.

Representatives of the Nevada Committee for Full Statehood have attended all of the Interim meetings of the Public Lands Committee repeatedly opposing **Chairman Dean Rhoad's capitulation to the BLM's attempt to steal the water from the rightful owners in the state of Nevada.**

Pictures from the Nevada Day Parade.



## DUES ARE DUE

At the Nevada Committee for Full Statehood's July meeting in Elko where new officers were elected and bylaws adopted, it was determined the **dues for voting members of the Committee would be \$100 per person** or \$150 for a married couple per year. We encourage you to lend you support to the Nevada Committee for Full Statehood by paying your dues. We are currently preparing for the 2003 Legislative session.

## Do You Need a Tax Deduction?

The tax deductible Nevada Foundation for Full Statehood has been organized as the sister organization of the Nevada Committee for Full Statehood. The mission of the Foundation is "To educate the public and public policy makers that 89% of Nevada's land is unConstitutionally controlled by the Federal Government and to facilitate a change." Most of the activities of the Nevada Committee for Full Statehood except for direct lobbying on a specific bill can be paid for with tax deductible money from the Foundation, because the activities are educational. Consider how important this educational effort is to make Nevada a 100% State. This will help to save our ranches, mines, recreational activities and ultimately our economy, but most importantly it will help to restore our lost freedoms. Please send your most generous charitable tax-deductible donation to the Nevada Foundation for Full Statehood.

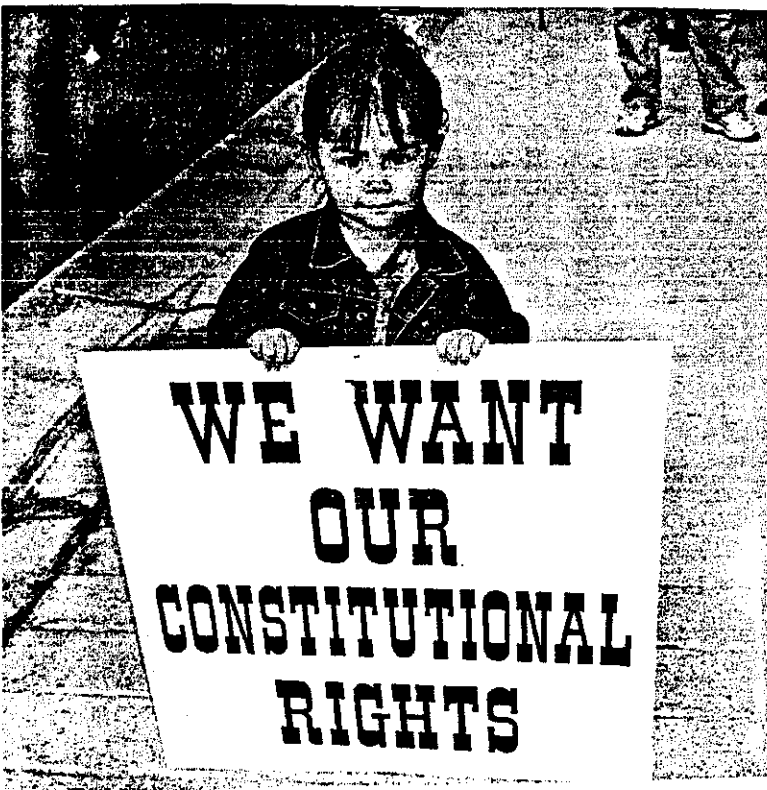
## The Chairman's Message, O. Q. Chris Johnson, Chairman

Territorial governments were under the sole direction of Congress. Congress wrote the acts to govern territories and Congress provided legislation to create the courts in order to dispense law in the territories. When Nevada was admitted into the Union of States on Oct. 31, 1864, territorial status ceased and state sovereignty took over, or did it? After Nevada became a state the only way the United States could legally hold land in Nevada was through Art. 1,8,17 of the US Constitution.

When Nevada was admitted into the Union there were only a few more the 14,000 residents in the entire state. No one gave any particular mind to the status of the open lands in Nevada, however, there were numerous controversies regarding water, mining and grazing. In order to provide leadership one of our Senators, William Stewart, drafted legislation in Washington which pertained to all of the existing territory of Utah plus the unsold lands in the newly admitted states of California, Nevada and other western states. That was the Act of July 26, 1866, otherwise called the 1866 Mining law.

That legislation which Senator Stewart crafted in Washington, should have been crafted in Carson City by the Nevada State Legislature. It seems that Senator Stewart, Senator Nye and Governor Blasdel were of the opinion that these unsold lands remained with the United States. Never mind the fact that the disclaimer clause which was taken seriously in this regard had been struck down 19 years before by the Supreme Court in the case of Pollard v Hagan (1845).

It is our firm belief that when Nevada became a state in 1864 that all of the unsold lands became the property of Nevada according to the same case (Pollard v Hagan) which also stated that the United States have no right or power to own, hold, control or exercise any municipal sovereignty over any land of any kind except of the District of Columbia and land it has purchased within the State, with the consent of the State Legislature. I further believe the Nevada Committee for Full Statehood has the Legal, Ethical, Moral and Philosophical high ground when it comes to claiming Nevada ownership of all of the unsold lands within Her exterior borders.



Tiny demonstrator supports Carrie Dann against BLM.

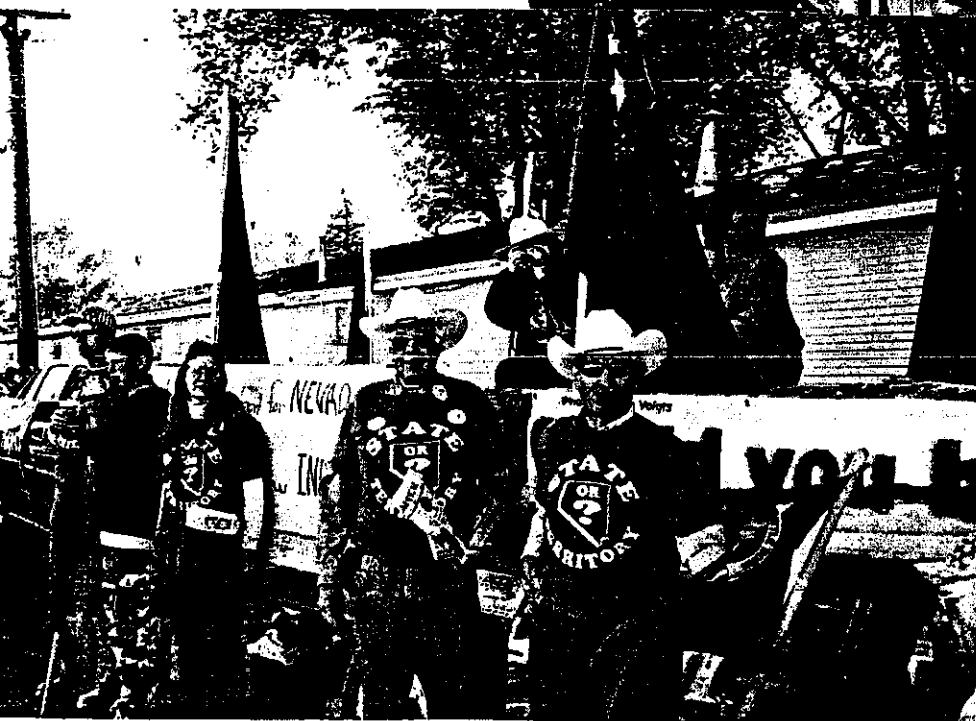
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*"Not one drop of water for the BLM!"*

Carrie Dann speaks to press at the demonstration to protest the BLM's illegal confiscation of her cattle. An interesting coalition of groups supported the Dann Sisters including the Western Shoshone Defense Council, Nevada Committee for Full Statehood, Progressive Leadership Alliance, Independent American, Libertarian and Natural Law Parties, Nevada Live Stock Association, Western Shoshone Yamba Tribe, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and others.



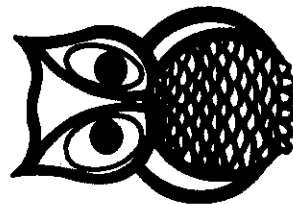
State Chairman **Chris Johnson** (center of photo) from Elko wears the message "State or Territory" on his Nevada Committee for Full Statehood t-shirt, as he prepares to board the Full Statehood float in the Nevada Day Parade. The Nevada Day Parade Committee censored the Full Statehood Committee's message to parade watchers saying it was "too political." That didn't stop all the politicians from riding in the parade.



**Bye Bye BLM**



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