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The purpose of this newsletter is to provide knowledge for parents and educators who want to save the children of America from the destructive forces that endanger them. Our children in the public schools are at grave risk in 4 ways: academically, spiritually, morally, and physically — and only a well-informed public will be able to reduce these risks.

"Without vision, the people perish."

## Homeschooling Father Runs for U. S. Presidency

Howard Phillips, founder of the U.S. Taxpayers Party, was officially nominated for the nation's highest office at his party's national convention in New Orleans on Sept. 5. Phillips, 51, the father of six children ranging in age from 6 to 27, is homeschooling his youngest child, 6-year-old Sam. His oldest son, Douglas, is on the staff of the Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA). In other words, this is one candidate intimately involved in the homeschool movement, and a staunch advocate of educational freedom and parents rights. Phillips, a native of Massachusetts, is also a graduate of Harvard University.

Phillips will be on the ballot in 21 states — Alaska, Arkansas, California, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Washington, and Wisconsin. His running mate in Michigan will be Robert Tisch; in Wyoming and Louisiana, Dr. Stephen Graves; and in the remaining states, Gen. Albion Knight.

Thus, for the first time, homeschoolers

will be able to have a political impact, at least in 21 states, which will send a much-needed message to the powers that be. And for the first time since the Goldwater-Johnson campaign, conservatives will have the kind of candidate they have always wanted, one who will vigorously oppose the liberal-humanist-socialist establishment in Washington and not cave in when the going gets tough. Phillips has vowed to dismantle the U.S. Education Department as well as the Internal Revenue Service. Bush, on the other hand, wants to expand the reach of the Education Department with his America 2000 plan, Clinton will put the Department all under the NEA's benign control, and Perot will probably use the Department "to improve education."

Actually, there are now two presidential candidates who want to get rid of the Education Department and the Internal Revenue Service: Howard Phillips, and Andre Marrou of the Libertarian Party. And because their views are considered "extreme" by the establishment media, the American people will be denied the information that would permit them to vote against the estab-

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