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of Merit is issued to * * The Rapidly Increasing Few and the Proud, * * who, in their need to practice freedom * * of thought and speech, have been * * relegated to: * * The Miles Jaffe Trash Bin * * Intolerance (tm reg.) * * (and yet survived the experience with * * no effort, sca remorse, or any * * sense of alienation whatsoever, and * * despite the non-event, went on to * * contin being productive * * members of society at large) * *****

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absolute worst conditions and they never failed. THAT's why I choose what I do. I no longer have the opportunity to put my gear to such extreme tests, so I have to make educated guesses based upon much shorter uses of the equipment. Ah well. Geoffrey L. Hardin, geo...@abcs.com

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What would I have to promise you to do a modern ASP conversion, if you still do such things? As you are probably aware, the real ASP hasn't been made in about 20 years... What did you have in mind for a modern conversion? The original was based on the aluminum framed S&W model 39 (the old standard sidearm of police). Are we talking something with an AL frame, or steel? There are a lot of things I'd have to look into... Licensing requirements/rules, etc (though historically the shop location was licensed, not the person doing the work)

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