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## CONVENTION TIME

Finishing touches are now being made to our '92 convention. The Alabama Libertarian State Convention, to be held on **February 29th.** in Montgomery, AL is all set. We expect this to be the largest turn out of Libertarians and citizens who are fed up with the system, in the history of our party.

There are two phases to this year convention. There is the formal

one, consisting of the scheduled speakers during the events of Saturday, February 29th., (see page 14 of this issue) and the informal one, that starts Friday night. Both accomplish major goals of (1) state business and (2) getting to know compatriots from all parts of Alabama. We hope you will come away from this year's convention with a renewed sense of purpose and many new

friends.

The cost to attend is only twelve dollars per person. This gets you everything except the two banquets. At noon there is a luncheon with main guest, John Eidsmoe and at 6:10 PM, the supper banquet with our Vice Presidential Candidate, Nancy Lord as the guest of honor.

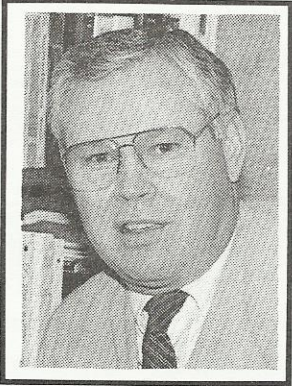
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by Rod Templeton

## Making The Newsletter Grow

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\*\*\*\* A leading authority is anyone who has guessed right more than once. \*\*\*\*

We have stated the purpose of *Alabama Liberty* is more than just a newsletter to our friends and members. It is our desire to grow *Alabama Liberty* into a state magazine. We want to use the information in these pages to encourage and to inspire voters to join with us in the Alabama Libertarian Party.

There are several circumstances that must be met if that objective is to be accomplished. Here is what we must do.

(1) The Cost... The present format costs us about \$115 per every four pages (that's printing both sides of a 11 x 17) for the paper, half-tone of pictures, printing, binding and folding. We have lots of room for additional pages before the cost of mailing will jump to a higher category.

(2) Advertising... With the '92 campaign facing us, our normal budgeting items are being strained. The way to overcome this problem is through a serious advertising program in *Alabama Liberty* in order to make this publication self-sufficient.

(3) Rates... In order to cover the cost of subcontracted work, we need to get \$115 of revenue for each four pages printed. The advertising rates will be as follows:

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# Meetings Around The State

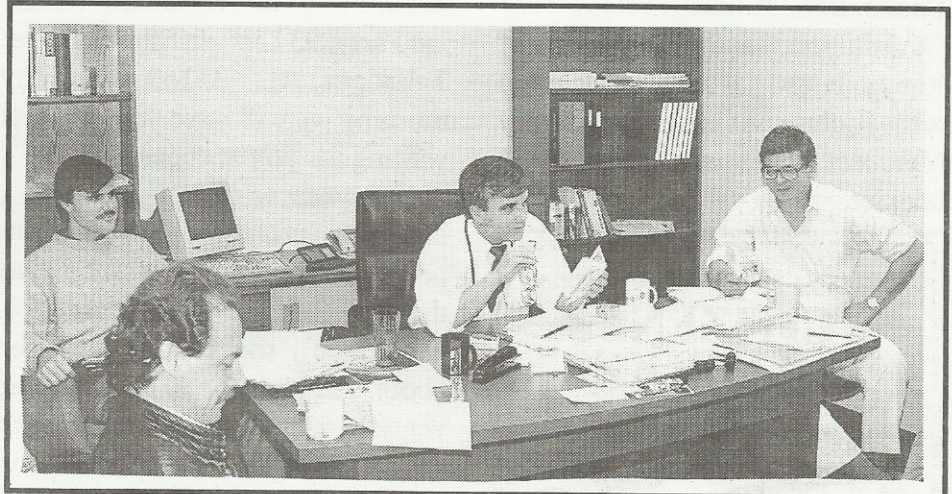
## North Alabama Libertarian Supper Club (meets the last Tuesday each month)

Due to the holidays no meeting was held in December. The North Alabama Libertarian Supper Club holds its monthly dinner meeting on the last Tuesday at 6:00PM at the Shoney's restaurant, 3301 Memorial Parkway SW (across from Joe Davis Stadium, near Parkway City Mall) in Huntsville. Please join us! For more information, contact Alan Barksdale at (205) 830-6601.

The recent Democratic extravaganza featuring National Health Care, cleverly packaged as "Town Meetings" that were scattered around the country, took place on the evening of January 14th. **Jeff Johnson**, Secretary of the Alabama Libertarian Party, attended the one that took place in Huntsville. A week later Jeff was on the "Sean Hannity Program", a radio talk show covering the Huntsville, Decatur and Athens area.

Jeff reported to the listeners that from the very beginning, this "Democratic Town Meeting" was a staged event. The format of this Huntsville gathering restricted the participation from the audience and concentrated on three (all very similar) health plans. Good, better and best as the Democrats saw it; Worse, Worst and God-Awful as Libertarians smelled it.

It was a nice try by the Democrats in Huntsville, but thanks to Jeff and his friends, it didn't work.



*Your executive committee hard at work, reviewing the final plans for the up-coming state convention. From the left: Steve Dow, Glynn Reeves, Jimmy Blake, & Bob Burns. The committee met at Dr. Blakes's office in Hoover.*

## Montgomery Supper Club (Meets on the second Tuesday of each month)

The Montgomery Libertarians met as scheduled at the Radisson Inn on January 14th. An excellent turn out of friends and members heard Professor David Sollars speak on the effects of "The Drug War". Mr. Sollars is a professor of Economics at Auburn University @ Montgomery and made his presentation and evaluation of the Drug War from the fiscal point of view.

His research reveals some interesting conclusions. For an example, he showed why the law enforcement agencies have gone after the drug community with such vengeance. The so-called "Seizure of Assets" law allows the agencies to convert to cash any and all assets that are connected with the "drug bust". Thus we have the police being "profit orientated" in their operations with

the drugs at the top of the priority list because they are actually profitable to the department. Professor Sollars indicated that even negotiations have taken place between different agencies to "divvy up" the spoils of pending drug raids.

Inter office memos have been intercepted advising the police personnel to confiscate only late model cars and homes with low mortgages when on a drug raid.

He also showed the above data indicates that as more police personnel are assign to this lucrative drug duty, thefts in residential areas have jumped due to the lack of police protection and the diminished risk of the criminal being apprehended.

His conclusions are that to continue the "Drug War" on the current track will only increase the Crime Problem. Then the police agencies will be asking us to pay higher taxes to cover this spiraling trouble that affects us all.



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the convention will receive the booklet **CITIZENS RULE BOOK**, a great little handbook covering The Declaration Of Independence, The Constitution, and The Bill Of Rights. It also has a section devoted to the Rights and Obligations of Jury Members. This is a "must have" booklet.



*This is the booklet "CITIZENS RULE BOOK. A great quick reference handbook.*

On page five of this newsletter there is a registration form to be completed. Please indicate if you plan to attend the noon or evening banquets (hopefully both) and tally your commitment. If you wish to bring some of your friends along with you, by all means do, just indi-

cate the number and fill in the blanks. Then mail your check (make payable to Alabama Libertarian Party) to: Alabama Libertarian Party; 95 Lincoln Shores Drive; Talladega, AL. 35160. Saturday morning we will have your packets waiting for you at check in.

If anyone wishes to purchase a booth to promote their favorite position or merchandise (subject to the approval of the convention committee), the cost is \$15 per booth. Last year the ALP had a joint venture with Laissez Faire Books and this booth is planned again this year. Credit cards will be accepted.

The convention is for people who

are interested in Libertarian Solutions to the problems we face today. Plan to attend and get "Charged-Up". When you leave the convention, you'll have a fresh outlook of confidence. A confidence that will enable you to make an impact on your community.

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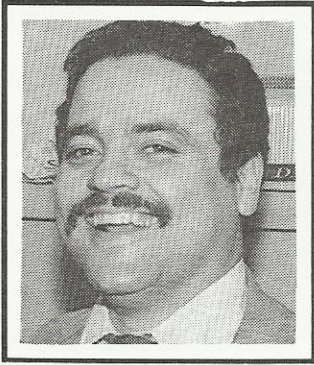
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by Jerome Shockley

Victory! This is a very exuberant term. When our favorite sporting team wins the big game, we rejoice. We, as friends of Liberty understand that victory in life means more than any sporting event will ever mean. When you lose Liberty you can't just wait for the next game. When Liberty is lost it means tyranny (big government) reigns.

Tyranny doesn't allow a fair game. It may allow a game (an election), but it has the officials on its side. The rules are adjusted in favor of the tyrants. Liberty's opponent is larger, has bigger weapons, more resources and have the officials on the payroll. It's most fervent fans have a very special interest in seeing their team win. So much so, that they convince many more people to become fans. These other fans don't seem to realize when the team they endorse wins, they really lose to tyranny and the special interest fans (groups).

Liberty's team, though smaller in size, weapons and resources, is dedicated to a belief which lives within the vast majority of Americans. It lies rather dormant at this time in most Americans. However it is the Liberty team's goal to awaken the sleeping public and reclaim victory for Liberty in our lifetime!

# Victory in 1992 ?

## I say Yes !

To advance this goal I attempt this article. I think you will agree preparation and hard work is most responsible for any team winning a football game. I strongly believe the winning team is better prepared, works harder and puts forth a greater effort to win the big game. How does this apply to our goal of returning individual Liberty to America?

Through preparation and personal effort, we can accelerate the return of the libertarian principles which America was founded upon. Thereby once again tyranny is defeated and we will be able to revel in the 'thrill' of a libertarian VICTORY!

Anyone who watches a newscast must realize there is discontent within the citizenry. **Discontent with the government in power means the people will listen to our message.** Our message of an end to the income tax, less government waste, less regulations and intru-

sions into our private lives, an end to the mammoth size, deficits and abuses of the federal and state governments, and our positive message of individual Liberty, responsibility, work ethic and non-coercion should inspire an audience seeking truthful answers to today's enormous problems.

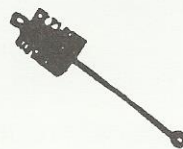
Let there be no misunderstanding about who is to blame for today's troubles, it is the Democratic and Republican Parties and their bankrupt redistribution policies. The "Great Society" turns out not to be so great after all. To end their precarious rule we must do our utmost best to distribute the Liberty message to the discontented in 1992. We have the greatest opportunity in the history of this movement to affect the future course of this once great nation. The Libertarian approach will solve the problems and end the discontent.

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thought, can one person change things? If one person could, who am I to take on the responsibility of stopping the ever expanding government and taxes? Who am I to restore American History to the course intended by it's founders?

Friends, one of us cannot change America. One of us alone cannot change Alabama. However one of us can make an eminent contribution to restoring Liberty in the county in which we live. That is the goal of the lovers of Liberty in Alabama for 1992. Make an effort in your county and just one adjoining county. That is all that is required of you. There is some good news. In 1988 our congressional candidates received close to 40,000 votes throughout Alabama. This vote total was good. Many of the votes were certainly protest votes against the incumbents, which perhaps weren't because the voter agreed with our platform or beliefs, but just didn't like the person in office for some reason. Therefore to get an accurate look at how many people actually know our message and agree with it, I have discarded the Congressional races and went to the Presidential race.

This race gives us a more accurate number of Alabamians that definitely believe in our message. A Presidential election is a serious election. People don't cast a haphazard vote when it comes to who gets their vote for the highest office in the land. Please look at the numbers and you will see there are many people in your area who saw the need for a candidate that would reverse the rapid move in America toward total socialism and tyranny. We have many friends we haven't met yet.

## COUNTIES AND 1988 VOTE TOTALS CAST FOR LIBERTARIAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE RON PAUL AND VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE ANDRE MARROU

(1-3) JEFFERSON-781, MOBILE-766, MONTGOMERY-471,  
 (4-6) LEE-393, CALHOUN-360, MADISON-353,  
 (7-9) BALDWIN-336, LAUDERDALE-325, BLOUNT-294,  
 (10-12) MARSHALL-264, COLBERT-208, LIMESTONE-186,  
 (13-15) TALLAPOOSA-176, ELMORE-160, WALKER-156,  
 (16-18) ETOWAH-155, JACKSON-147, AUTAUGA-143,  
 (19-21) RUSSELL-134, CULLMAN-132, DALE-131,  
 (22-24) RANDOLPH-128, TALLADEGA-126, COFFEE-126,  
 (25-27) FRANKLIN-121, TUSCALOOSA-118, CHAMBERS-115  
 (28-30) DALLAS-107, DEKALB-106, PIKE-90,  
 (31-33) CLARKE-84, LAWRENCE-83, BARBOUR-83,  
 (24-36) MORGAN-73, SHELBY-72, ESCAMBIA-66,  
 (37-39) MARENGO-65, BUTLER-61, COVINGTON-55,  
 (40-42) PERRY-52, CHEROKEE-48, GENEVA-45,  
 (43-45) MONROE-45, CLAY-45, HOUSTON-44,  
 (46-48) CONECUH-43, MACON-40, ST. CLAIR-36,  
 (49-51) HALE-35, LOWNDES-31, GREENE-29,  
 (52-54) CHILTON-26, CLEBURNE-26, BULLOCK-24,  
 (55-57) MARION-17, WINSTON-16, FAYETTE-15,  
 (58-60) CRENSHAW-15, COOSA-15, HENRY-13,  
 (61-63) PICKENS-11, SUMTER-11, WASHINGTON-8,  
 (64-67) BIBB-7, CHOCTAW-5, LAMAR-5, WILCOX-3,

**Liberty is on the move.** The National Libertarian Party membership is at an all time high. The 1992 campaign of Presidential Candidate Andre Marrou has already ran over (50) fifty high quality T.V. commercials in Illinois and New Hampshire. Ballot Access at this time of an election year is in the best shape

of our history. It looks like 50 states and D.C. ballot access this time if the contributions continue to the ballot access committee. With the roadblocks put in front of us this is a victory in itself. An example of the tyranny we already face, we are required to gather over 60,000 signatures and pay the state a dime for

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It is a known fact that ballot access is easier for an alternative Party in Romania than it is in the land of the "free". Now more than ever we need true freedom lovers to step forward with a dedicated effort to promote the Libertarian Party in each county in Alabama and have some fun in the process. The 1992 campaign for Liberty should be made with the future of America's children and grandchildren utmost in our minds. You as an individual can do something for future generations in 1992.

Some ways you can help are easy. First make a commitment to yourself: I will help the Libertarian Party get the message out in my county and one adjoining county. I will put forth my best effort to increase the vote total in my county and one adjoining county.

After you have agreed with yourself to work for Liberty there are many things you can do to reach your goals. If you can afford it, run the Marrou for President ads on your local TV station. If you have cable run it with them on their local feed.

They cover several channels and have relative low fees. If you don't have cable run it on a station that covers your area.

You might wish to combine your funds with others in your area to get these ads on the air. A copy of the Marrou ads can be acquired from the Marrou Campaign Headquarters. There are also Libertarian ads for radio. They can be gotten from National Headquarters. Another important way to help get the message out is by distributing Libertarian brochures in your county and your chosen adjoining county. The Alabama Libertarian Party will have a campaign brochure ready, shortly after the state convention with candidate names on them.

This will be a great outreach method that also supports our candidates by informing the public of their names. There are also brochures available from the National Headquarters. Put a Libertarian Party and (or) Libertarian Candidate's sticker on your car. Place signs in your yard and throughout your two counties.

If you are motivated and really want to do something important for

Liberty in 1992 you can show up at the Alabama Libertarian Convention in Montgomery (date and times elsewhere in this issue) and become a Libertarian Candidate. Offices needing to be filled by Libertarians in 1992-93 are the U.S. Senate, President of the Public Service Commission, Seven (7) U.S. House of Representative seats, Nine (9) Presidential Electors, Three (3) State Supreme Court Judges and all judicial circuit district attorneys (you must be a licenced attorney for these seats), County Commission seats (these would definitely give you a forum to display the Liberty message in your county), and several other county and local races. To become a candidate on the Libertarian Ticket you must be a dues paying member of the Alabama Libertarians Party. State law requires that you attend the convention and be nominated by the Party. You must be a registered voter. You must sign a notarized certificate of candidacy.

Then if you work hard getting your message out and convince enough voters to vote for you. Next year you can start turning this nation into a place with true Liberty and



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If you decide not to run you can help our Candidates. Learn the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all media people (newspapers, radio, and TV) in your two counties. If the Congressional, Senatorial, PSC or even Presidential or V.P. Candidates chooses to come into your two counties please offer to help. Get them media coverage and interviews. You might even campaign with them and (or) drive them around in your city. Perhaps let them spend the night in your home, especially if they are a long way from home. We don't have the warchest like the two big Parties to stay in motels on every campaign trip. To win in politics, you must be political! We must learn to promote our candidates and begin to win at the precinct and county level. Don't forget a campaign can be fun and a challenge when you set a goal and reach it.

You can tell your family, friends and neighbors about the Libertarian Party. This is a good way to convince people about the benefits of having a Libertarian President and Congress. They should surely agree their families would be better off if they could keep and decide for themselves what to do with the money they now pay in income taxes.

You can help by calling radio and T.V. talk shows and letting them know the Democratic and Republican Parties are to blame for our current ills and you are voting Lib-

ertarian in November. There are literally dozens of national talk shows (day and night) you can call. You don't have to call the same show everyday, some people grow weary of hearing the same voice day after day, but you should seek out different shows on different stations getting the message to more voters.

Let them know the Libertarians have the answers to today's problems and they have your vote. You will get some negative feedback from some of these hosts, but don't let that discourage you. Let them know you're not voting for George Bush's or Jimmy Carter's high taxes, high deficits and recession again. Don't hesitate to mention Jimmy Carter and George Bush together. The media seems to imply a Democratic President can save the economy.

Do you remember Carter's Presidency? It was double digit inflation and interest rates, higher unemployment than now, a record debt and recession. Who wants that? Democratic control of the Congress and the White House was disastrous. The Libertarians are the only ones with truthful workable solutions.

Well, if I haven't convinced you to do any of the above I will ask for something that is almost as important. Donate some money to the State Party, or the Alabama Liberty Newsletter, or the National Party, or to Libertarian Candidates, or to the Ballot Access Committee, or donate to all these. Libertarians make a dollar go a long way and everyone received is used to fight wasteful big government and to make America a better, freer place for you, your families and all future Americans.

The Liberty team is ready to take the field. Won't you join us? There is much to be done! With each of us

working within our county and one adjoining county to increase the Libertarian Presidential vote total we will set new records statewide for all the Libertarian Party Candidates. Take a couple of minutes to study the 1988 county votes. Adopt an adjacent county to your own to spread the Liberty message.

Write the two totals down somewhere handy, so you can refer back to them. Set a vote total goal for yourself. Set one you think you can achieve in 1992. We would like to recognize the ones who do the best job, however, we don't want to know your total goal unless you want to tell us. Contact us if you will take the time to help get America back on the right track, it isn't a requirement to contact us if you don't want to go on the record.

The most important thing is to do something to help save this once great nation. Any increase in the Libertarian Presidential totals in your two countries will be wonderful. Don't worry about the congressional district or state vote totals unless you are running for an office that covers the area. Your goal will be to increase the Libertarian vote  
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## IS ABORTION HOMICIDE?

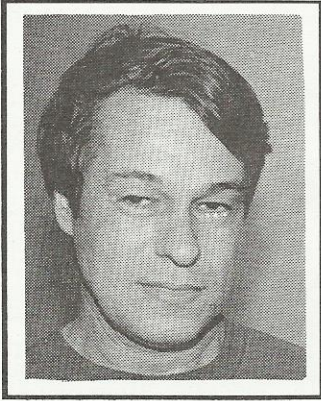
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by John Martin

George Wallace once said "There's not a dime's worth of difference between the Republicans and the Democrats." That statement, although not an absolute, is a lot truer than most people realize.

Democrats are typically labeled as liberals, and Republicans are generally regarded as conservatives. Most people would place the Democrats on the "left" side of the political spectrum and the Republicans on the "right."

However, if one is to analyze their platforms, he will find that both parties stand within the authoritarian quadrant on the Nolan chart—dangerously close to the philosophies of the socialists and their central planning. And as time goes on, they drift even closer toward totalitarianism. Their objective, apparently, is a single socialistic, one-world government "ideal."

The Democratic platform is a huge wish list of new and expanded government programs. It seems to take its words literally out of the mouth of Karl Marx himself. It espouses virtually everything that our founding fathers fought a bitter war against—higher taxes on both production and consumption, socialized medicine, socialized education, entitlement programs of

every description including entitlement to foreign countries, and numerous regulations and impediments on private means of production, trade, living, and survival itself. In addition, the Democrats are adopting more ideas of state intervention — infringements on privacy, property seizures, and regulation of personal lifestyles, travel, recreation, employment, resource use, and virtually everything else.

The Republicans are also slipping toward socialism. The party that once championed free enterprise and economic liberty is now leaning toward the very ideas it once condemned the Democrats for. Many Republicans now support protectionism, racial quotas, gun control, expanded entitlement programs, obscene environmental and safety regulations, more foreign aid, world government, and of course

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increased taxes and debts to pay for it all. The Republicans are a bit more lenient toward economic liberty, but they are more ruthless in enacting and enforcing so-called morality laws against personal liberty.

The Republicans' platform still contains much rhetoric about tax reduction, free enterprise and limited government (They said on p. 72, "...Our opposition to totalitarianism is resolute"), but they have virtually ignored these promises while they have aggressively kept those that expand the government and make it more oppressive.

One of the scariest Demopublican ideas is the dangerous concept of assistance, partnerships, and cooperation between federal, state, and local governments along with governments of foreign nations and the private sector. This Orwellian suggestion is repeated over and over in both platforms ad nauseam. Are we getting ready to accept the Biblical "Mark of the Beast?"

To illustrate just how radical the Demopublicans' platforms really are, we quote from both of their 1988 editions on major political issues:

## AGRICULTURE

**Democrats:**... A workable agricultural policy should include supply management, reasonable price supports...foreclosure relief... improved disaster relief... new federal support for rural health care, housing, education, water supply, and infrastructure. We further believe that no person should go to bed hungry and that we must renew the fight against hunger at home and abroad... and convene an interna-

tional conference of food producing nations.

**Republicans:** ...We have reduced price-depressing surpluses to their lowest levels in many years... We have given farmers the opportunity to profitably retire millions of acres... We pledge early action to renew and improve the successful farm programs set to expire in 1990...

The key to rural development is effective local leadership working in partnership with private business and federal, state, and local governments... We will assure that (rural) communities receive their fair share of aid under federal assistance programs...

## DRUGS

**Democrats:** ...We must... wage total war on drugs... Every arm and agency of government at every federal, state and local level—including every useful diplomatic, military, educational, medical, and law enforcement effort necessary—should at long last be mobilized... under the direction of a national drug "Czar" to halt both the international supply and the domestic demand for illegal drugs... and that the legalization of illicit drugs would represent a tragic surrender in a war we intend to win...

**Republicans:** The Republican Party is committed to a drug free America... In the past six years, federal drug arrests have increased by two thirds. Compared to 1980, 2.5 times as many drug offenders were sent to prison in 1987. Federal spending for drug enforcement programs have more than tripled in the

last seven years. And we have broken new ground by enlisting U.S. intelligence agencies in the fight against drug trafficking... We will encourage seizure and forfeiture programs by the Department of the Treasury and each state to take the profits out of illicit drug sales... The Republican Party unequivocally opposes legalizing or decriminalizing any illicit drug... We will assert absolutes of right and wrong concerning drug abuse and other forms of self-destructive behavior.

## EDUCATION

**Democrats:** We believe that the education of our citizens... deserves the highest priority... We pledge to better balance our national priorities by significantly increasing federal funding for education... We believe that this nation needs: (more public) pre-school education...; (teachers') training and enrichment programs, including a National Teacher Corps to recruit teachers for tomorrow, especially minorities...; equalization of financing among local school districts within each state...; and to expand support for bilingual education...

**Republicans:** ...Since 1980, average salaries for elementary and secondary teachers have increased to over \$28,000, an increase of 20% after inflation... Federal programs must focus on students at special risk... We led a national crusade against illiteracy... We will use federal programs to foster excellence... We will urge our local school districts to recognize the value of kindergarten and pre-kindergarten programs... We will increase funding for the Head Start



program...

## EMPLOYMENT

**Democrats:** We believe that... we can have a first-rate full employment economy with an indexed minimum wage that can help lift and keep families out of poverty, with... employment programs... child care and health care... portable pensions, and an adequate social security system, safeguarded against emasculation and privatization, that can help assure a comfortable and fulfilling old age with opportunities for voluntary national public service above and beyond current services... (We oppose) substandard wage competition for public contracts... (We support) occupational safety standards... and... major increases in assistance... We believe that we can rebuild America, creating good jobs at good wages...

**Republicans:** We advocate incentives... through programs like the Job Training Partnership Act, which provides for a public/private partnership... We support, on the Federal, state, and local levels, enterprise zones to promote investment and job creation in beleaguered neighborhoods... We will increase, strengthen, and reinvigorate minority business development efforts... We will continue to support programs that enhance housing, business, and industry...

## FIREARMS

**Democrats:** We believe that the federal government should... enforce a ban on "cop killer" bullets...

**Republicans:** Republicans de-

fend the constitutional right to keep and bear arms... (Nice rhetoric, but what we got was a ban on imported semi-auto "assault" weapons.)

## FOREIGN POLICY

**Democrats:** ...We believe that we must reassume... active international leadership based upon our commitment to democracy, human rights, and a more secure world... We believe in an America that recognizes... the challenges and opportunities of the developing world; that will support and strengthen international law and institutions, promote human and political rights, and... work for economic growth and development. We believe that we must provide leadership, compassion, and economic assistance to those nations stunted by overwhelming debt, deprivation, and austerity... We believe that this country (should maintain) the special relationship with Israel founded upon mutually shared values and strategic interests... We are committed to Persian Gulf security... We believe that the time has come to... impose comprehensive sanctions upon (South Africa's) economy... by which United States corporations must leave South Africa... We believe in an America that will promote human rights, human dignity, and human opportunity in every country on Earth...

**Republicans:** ...We will not turn our backs on the third world, where Soviet imperialism preys upon stagnation and poverty... We will use U.S. economic aid... to make their economies attractive... We pledge to continue international food assistance... to feed the world's hungry...

Republicans have designated the Child Survival Program as one of our highest foreign assistance priorities... to give every child what should be his or her birthright... We will use our armed forces in the war on drugs... We pledge aggressive interdiction and eradication, with strong penalties against countries which shield or condone the narcotics traffic... We will continue to maintain Israel's qualitative advantage over any adversary... (and) continue to solidify our strategic relationship with Israel...

## HEALTH

**Democrats:** We believe that all Americans should enjoy access to affordable, comprehensive health services for both the physically and mentally ill...; that a national health program... is necessary to restrain health care costs while assuring quality care...

**Republicans:** ...We led the way to enacting landmark legislation for catastrophic health insurance under Medicare... We are committed to improving the quality and financing of long-term care... We... will work toward making catastrophic health care coverage available to our youngest citizens... We will continue generous funding for the National Institutes of Health... We pledge to help rural Americans (with) federal health programs...

## HOUSING

**Democrats:** We believe that the housing crisis of the 1980's must be halted... We believe that steps should be taken to ensure a decent place to live for every American.



We believe that homelessness— a national shame— should be ended in America; that the supply of affordable housing should be expanded... The inventory of public and subsidized housing should be renovated, preserved, and increased...

**Republicans:** ...We... made housing affordable to more Americans than ever before... We support the FHA mortgage insurance program, the Government National Mortgage Association, the VA guarantee program, and other programs that enhance housing choices for all Americans... To ensure that federal housing funds assist communities... we advocate merging programs into a block grant... Republicans are determined to help the homeless as a matter of ethical commitment, as well as sound public policy...

In 1987, President Reagan signed a \$1 billion aid package to help local governments aid the homeless. In 1988, the federal government will spend \$400 million on emergency shelters and medical care alone. Today, a total of 45 federally assisted programs are potentially available to the homeless...

## TAXES

**Democrats:** ...We believe that the time has come... to reverse seven years of "voodoo economics," "trickle down" policies, fiscal irresponsibility, and economic violence against poor and working people... Investing in America and reducing the deficit requires that the wealthy and corporations pay their fair share...

**Republicans:** We oppose any attempts to increase taxes... Republicans unequivocally reiterate the no-tax pledge we have proudly taken... We will reduce to 15% the tax rates for long-term capital gains... (Nice rhetoric, but what have the Republicans done since 1988? Remember "Read my Lips?" Remember the "Deficit Reduction Act?")

## TRADE

**Democrats:** We believe that America needs more trade, fair trade, an administration willing to use all the tools available to better manage our trade... (We support) the formulation and enforcement of our trade laws..., advance notice of plant closing and major layoffs..., more public-private and business-labor co-operation and mutual respect through more intergovernmental partnerships...

**Republicans:** ...We will not accept the loss of American jobs to nationalized, subsidized, protected foreign industries...

## WELFARE

**Democrats:** ...We must provide the resources to care for our newborns, educate our children, house the homeless, heal the sick, wage total war on drugs, and protect the environment... There are few better investments for this country than prenatal care, infant nutrition, and preschool education, and there are few more successful programs than WIC, Head Start, and prenatal care. We know what works.

**Republicans:** We support the

maintenance of income assistance programs... for the aged, the disabled, and children dependent upon the community... We are committed to assisting those in need...

## CONCLUSIONS

**Democrats:** We believe the American dream of opportunity for every citizen can be a reality for all Americans... We believe that governments at the national, state, and local level, in partnerships between these levels and in partnerships with the private sector, exist to help us solve our problems instead of adding to them...

For many years, in state and local capitals across this nation, Democrats have been successfully solving problems and helping people with exactly this kind of innovative government.

**Republicans:** Americans want leadership to direct the forces of change, on American terms, guided by American values. The next stage of the American experiment will be a new dynamic partnership in which people direct government and government empowers people to solve their own problems and to have more choices in their lives... Defending and expanding freedom is our first priority (They don't practice that part very much, do they?)

## COMMENTS FROM ANDRE MARROU:

At our state convention last year, Andre Marrou had a few choice words to say about the Demopublicans: "What really distinguishes Libertarians from Democrats and Republicans? What's the basic dif-



ference between our politics and theirs?...

"I heard the other day someone on television saying, 'The Democrats want someone else to pay. The Republicans want someone else to fight. The Democrats are into precarious compassion. The Republicans are into precarious courage.'"...

"I have my own definition. The Democrats want to be your mommy. They want to take care of you. They want to handle all your problems—blow your nose, change your diaper, and so forth. The Republicans, on the other hand, want to be your daddy. They want to tell you what's right and wrong,

but if you ever step out of line—Pow! They get you for it...

"The Democrats and Republicans are moving us toward less individual liberty and more government... Our message will be the direction America should go—do we want higher or lower taxes—do we want more government control over our choices, or less—do we want to move in the direction of less individual freedom, or more?... "Libertarians don't want to be your mommy nor your daddy. We want to treat you as adults so that you are responsible for your actions. You get the rewards for your successes, plus of course, the results of your mistakes... "We libertarians are

committed to one fundamental principle—each person's life is his or her own. Each person has an inalienable right to his or her own life, liberty, and property. As a consequence, all human dealings must be voluntary. Force and fraud, of course, are barred. What's the difference between libertarian politics and the status quo? It's not just a matter of rhetoric and promises. It is a matter of deeds and direction. Libertarians will move us toward more individual liberty and less government."

## How Come Dept?

\*\*\*\* *We call it "take home pay" because after taxes, there is no place else we can go with it.* \*\*\*\*

## CONVENTION SCHEDULE

7:30 to 8:30  
8:31 to 8:46  
8:47 to 10:00  
10:01 to 10:16  
10:17 to 12:00

12:01 to 12:16  
12:17 to 1:47

1:48 to 2:33

2:34 to 3:19

3:20 to 3:35  
3:36 to 4:21

4:22 to 5:07

5:08 to 5:53  
5:54 to 6:09  
6:10 to 7:40  
7:41 to 8:26

Registration

Call to order, **Dr. James D. Blake**, chairman

Noninations and elections of party officers and candidates

Break

Finish nominations and elections of candidates, speeches by party candidates

Break

Lunch Speaker **John Eidsmoe's** topic: "The Tenth Amendment"

Speaker **Carole Ann Rand's** topic: "Highly Effective Grass Roots Organizing"

Speaker **Larry Pratt's** topic: "Importance of Preserving Private Firearms Ownership"

Break

Speaker **John Taylor's** topic: "Politically Incorrect Kantian Epistemological Considerations In The Use Of Synthetic A Priori Propositions As They Apply To Praxeology, Or More Specifically To The Multiculturally Differently Abled and Road Kill" (...or How I Found Happiness on the Road to Serfdom)

Speaker **Steven Yates's** topic: "Civil Rights: Toward A Libertarian Agenda"

Speaker **Mark Thornton's** topic: "The Bush Recession"

Break  
Dinner Banquet: Vice Presidential Candidate...**Nancy Lord**  
Closing address.... **Dr. James D. Blake**, Chairman



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I would like to join both Alabama Libertarian Party and the National Libertarian Party for \$25 in annual dues. My payment method is selected below.

**Note: The previous two methods include the state and national Libertarian newsletters**

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☐ **STUDENTS:**

As a full time student, my state membership is only \$5 and the national membership is \$15.

☐ **INFORMATION ON LIBERTARIANISM:**

Please send me more information explaining what Libertarianism is all about. It sounds very interesting, however, I would like to know more.

☐ **ACTIVIST:**

I will help in anyway that I can. I can help organize my local area, stuff envelopes, host meetings or do whatever else is needed.

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### \*\*\*MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT (MEMBERS ONLY)\*\*\*

Through my membership in the Libertarian Party, I hereby certify I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## A LESS GOVERNMENT NATIONAL HOLIDAY?

On March 4, 1849 the United states of America did not have any president. It's no surprise, the sky didn't fall in, nor did the world order crumble. There was a gap of a day in between the time James Polk's term expired and Zachary Taylor was sworn in.

David Rice Atchison, as president pro-tem of the Senate, would have been next in line of succession. However, since the president of the Senate is chosen for a particular session, Atchison's term as senator actually expired on midnight, March 3rd. The same held true for outgoing Speaker of the House,

Robert C. Winthrop. The act of succession in effect at the time provided that if all the above offices were vacant, the states were to send electors to choose a new president. Needless to say, this never happen. Thus from noon, March 4th., to noon, March 5th., there was no president, no vice-president and no Congress either.

With this bit of history as justification, Libertarians should band together and push for a LESS GOVERNMENT NATIONAL HOLIDAY. Then maybe, just maybe the Capitol Gang would spend a little less of our tax money.

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totals in your two counties. Some county vote totals can be increased by 10 times easily, some 100 times even (if all county totals increased 100 times we would win in a landslide).

However we need to set goals and have fun trying to reach them. I started this: Victory in 1992? If we set goals for ourselves in two counties and we reach those goals I think we can claim victory. Remember a Party's ultimate goal is winning the county, the state, the nation, and then we all will enjoy the "THE THRILL OF VICTORY"! All future generation's Liberty depends on what we do in 1992. Let's get started today!

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