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FROM THE EDITOR'S MESS

For months I've wanted to insert in this newsletter some random comments regarding the one year I've spent calling myself a "libertarian."

At first I thought about calling the article "From The Editor's Desk." Then I realized that since I began devoting significant amounts of time to this cause I have not seen my desk. I know it's somewhere in my apartment under an enormous stack of books, pamphlets, newsletters, posters, press releases, brochures, campaign cards and other items that somehow go along with working for freedom. I trust that after the election I will be able to locate the pile that hides the desk. If I due the pro-

cess of elimination should lead to a quick discovery of the remainder of my furniture.

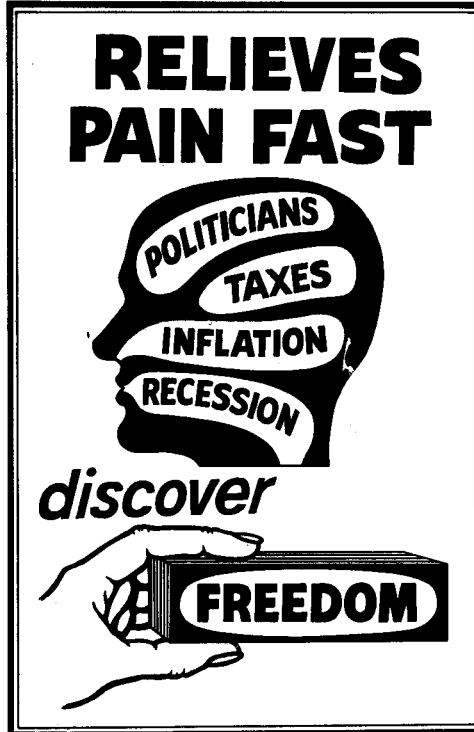
All of this is to say that becoming active in the battle for freedom does, depending on how severely you become infected by the 'bug', lead to a decrease of your personal liberty. However, with one or two exceptions, I have no regrets; no complaints: The last year has been great! From the convention and onto the petition drives through two visits by Roger MacBride and many other ventures it's been **terrific!**

The exciting point is that this is just the beginning. If we keep working and remain loyal to principle the sky is the limit. The critical word is "if".

I say this because I am well informed about the negative impact the political process can have on any average individual. The quest for victory many times can lead to a dilution of idealism and principle. I am convinced that this was a fun year because working with people unwilling to compromise for political gain is a rare treat. I don't want that lost. Therefore I propose a list of political pitfalls that I and anyone who likes can refer to in times of distress.

1) Election victory is the long range goal not the immediate necessity.

We should not place excessive value on
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TEA PARTY at TRENTON

Repeal the Income Tax Now!
That was the cry as thousands rallied at the State House in Trenton to demand the repeal of the recently enacted N.J. State Income Tax.

Ralph Fucetola, NJLP member, played a significant role in organizing the demonstration which took place Sept. 18th.

In presenting the NJLP view against the tax, Senate candidate Hal Cundari told the people that Libertarians all over the state were in total agreement with the movement for repeal.

Active members of the NJLP arrived on the scene early to set up 3 tables chock full of LP literature. In addition, many flyers for the Cundari Senate campaign were distributed along with the 'Libertarianism' position paper.

One interesting feature about the rally was the number of politicians who have appeared on the scene now that the people are irate about the never-ending growth in taxes. It would seem that everybody wants to hop on the bandwagon.

The rally resulted in massive press and TV coverage which included segments of Ralph Fucetola's brilliant speech which rallied the crowd to continued action on the tax issue.

Indications out of Trenton are that with continued effort and pressure against those who supported the tax, a bill to repeal may pass one or both houses after this year's elections.

Another interesting development, was the indictment of Dr. Edmund Matzal on Monday, Sept. 20th—two days after the rally.

Matzal is well known as a long time opponent of the N.J. income tax. He delivered a ringing message at the rally, urging everyone to get involved while there is still time. Matzal is being charged with violations of the federal income tax law.

SELL FREEDOM

Bob Ryley

Elsewhere in this issue you will find a review of Howard Katz's new book The Paper Aristocracy. This summary is neither a review of the book or an analysis of the many points raised by Mr. Katz.

It is clear that many of the issues raised by Mr. Katz are important to a better presentation of the libertarian concept. For his efforts in this respect Howard Katz deserves our thanks.

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My main concern is the results we acquire by too much use of the terms currency depreciation and excessive reliance on the concept of the liberty/benevolent split. During the current campaign year both these phrases have been emphasized to a degree that, in my opinion, has caused other important issues to be neglected.

While arguments can be offered that the impact of a welfare state economy is the issue of the moment; while it is clear that many people can be introduced to liberty through campaigns that highlight our free-market program it is also quite true that many if not most people find economics a dull-boring topic usually discussed by conservatives. I am amazed at the number of people I meet who, -at least here in New Jersey, identify us as being a rightist group of sorts. This can only come from excessive play of our economic viewpoint.

It seems to me that if one wanted to take an economic approach in New Jersey the environment is right for massive campaigning in the area of taxation. People understand taxes. They will fight taxes. They know where taxes come from. We could even add that inflation is the cruelest tax of all. However to campaign on a plank that contains terms that confuse the average person is a lost cause.

In addition it is important to tie in any issue such as taxes or inflation with our main issue -liberty. We will not be happy with anything less than total individual freedom. We must emphasize to everyone that victory for our economic ideas will not lead to a free society unless we work with equal dedication toward recognition of the civil liberties of the individual.

The concept of the liberty benevolent split is in reality important for each of us to understand.

Did You Know? A recent change in the NJLP By-Laws, approved at the Sept. 14th General meeting, now makes it possible for people who live outside N.J. but work within the state to join the NJLP.

As I comprehend this position the fact is stated that statist politicians have acquired power by making appeals to the human instinct to help people in need. Simply put, it is a more successful tactic to illustrate your concern for human suffering by stressing the need to help the poor, solve unemployment provide health care than it would be to expose the myth of welfare by taking the economic approach.

The problem here is that we tend to go overboard by creating straw men. Certainly the banking system is wrong. Most people don't have an affection for bankers. Nor do they hate them. The proper approach should be to sell freedom. Attempting to exploit some public sentiment against 'banking interests', or high finance is not offering freedom.

Sell freedom! Illustrate how freedom will provide opportunity for all. Show how true liberty is the only state in which all people can really prosper. Demonstrate how the lack of freedom today is the root cause of most of our problems.

Very few salesman make a sale buy taking an hour to attack their competitors-they sell their own products; they offer reasons why it is better. Freedom is not only better it is best- let's use the positive approach. Avoid taking positions that identify us as possible extremists. We're not. Wanting to be free is natural. We need not lower our arguments

In conclusion, to be a libertarian you must have a love of liberty; a sincere appreciation for the fact that man can live in this world, achieve his desires and appreciate the miracle of life if he is free. Let' offer freedom—a product that can't fail.

DOOR HANGERS AVAILABLE

Washington has advised us that they will be making available so-called doorhangers for distribution to the states the middle of October. These are a tool aimed at getting out the vote. There will be two runs, one emphasizing conservative issues and the other liberal issues. I have put in an order for 5,000 of each and expect that they will be shipped to the office in Orange. We will plan to ship liberal amounts of each to the county chairs as soon as they arrive. Plan to reserve time now for taking the time to cover your neighborhood during the last week in October.

MAC BRIDE VISITS N. J.

Calvin Beatty

October 1st was a busy day in the life of the candidate. The day was planned largely as a media caper, and began with a news conference at the political hotel in Newark, the Robert Treat. Roger had arrived the night before with his press secretary, Emily Ford and assistant, Wade Vianni. Bob Ryley and Kathy McAdam arranged for a limousine to meet Roger at the Newark airport.

After much advance work including press releases and follow-up phone calls, only the AP showed up at the 10:30 news conference. Roger sat next to Hal Cundari, and candidates McAdam, Primich and Rehm were also in attendance. In addition to Ken Kaplan who along with me accompanied Roger throughout the day. The AP wrote a good story, using a phrase coined by Howie Katz, who briefed Roger at breakfast along with Dan Piro, called "malemployment" to describe the high level of unemployment in NJ. Dan suggested also the use of a full time press man for the week, and with his help a story of the news conference was composed later after the conference and called into UPI, which then distributed it over its wires. So all the 34 daily papers in Jersey were effectively represented even though not there in person. The Star Ledger also called in later at the Orange office, and took the story down which was published the following day, complete with a picture of Roger, the glossies of which had been distributed to the daily NJ papers the week before.

With heavy rain falling throughout most of the day, we then proceeded to journey out to Orange where we had a press meeting with a weekly paper (Worral Publications) and then took a lunch break at the NJCFM offices above Ken's store where New Jersey Vision took three minutes of footage of Roger for broadcast over the NJ public TV stations.

The media highlight of the day followed next with an editorial board conference with the Asbury Park Press. Roger responded to 45 minutes of questions with the six senior men of paper, making a truly great case for the LP and its positions. One of the Press men told me afterwards that he was going to vote for Roger, and later that night at the Matawan rally a reporter covering the event for the paper told Roger that almost all of the six senior men were really impressed by the man and the Party. After the conference, Roger went upstairs to tape a 15-minute radio interview on the APP's station, WJLK.



Next was a dash to get up to Journal Square to rejoin Hal and Dan and shake hands with commuters coming out of the PATH terminal, Bob Ryley and Kathy McAdam having arrived beforehand. Traffic delays caused the MacBride contingent to arrive late, and thus much of the impact of having the candidate on hand was diluted. Bob had prepared handbills, and these were distributed. A two-sided poster

also had been fabricated and served to identify Roger for the crowd. This led a Jersey City policeman voluntarily to accompany Roger on his way through the terminal, and Roger responded at the end of the visit by autographing a copy of his book for the man.

Then down to Englishtown to Walt Swirsky's for a martini and small reception at his house before making way to the Magnolia Inn in Matawan for his final appearance in New Jersey, where he also opened up the Garden State campaign at our convention in February. Hal gave some peppy remarks followed by Victor Armellino, who endorsed Roger again in a heartfelt way, and then Roger closed out the formal activities of the evening by quipping about the campaign, tossing out barbs at his "fuzzy foes," Tweedle Jerry and Tweedle Jimmy, and giving a shorthand primer on the LP's positions on civil, economic and foreign. About 125 people attended, many of which were new faces thanks to the advance work which Bill George and Walt had done earlier in the week by distributing handbills to many homes in the Matawan area.

Roger retired to the Treat with Hal as his driver, ready to get up the next day and repeat the performance in Ohio.

As far as media coverage went, the one-day stop produced stories in three papers the following day, wires by AP and UPI, radio coverage by WVNJ and WJLK plus two other brief tapings with other stations (one arranged by Sam Brown), and possibly other coverage in outlying papers in the state.

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SEPTEMBER 22, 1976		
DEAR ROGER:		
CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AND DAVE ON YOUR SUCCESSFUL PETITION DRIVES AROUND THE COUNTRY. YOUR EFFORTS AND THOSE OF ALMOST 600 CANDIDATES FOR FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL OFFICES WILL PUT THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY ON THE POLITICAL MAPS IN 1976.		
UNFORTUNATELY, THE PRESS OF BOROUGH BUSINESS PREVENTS ME FROM CONGRATULATING YOU IN PERSON, HOWEVER I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN MATAWAN AGAIN ON OCTOBER 1ST.		
VERY TRULY YOURS,		
 VICTOR R. ARMELLINO, MAYOR BOROUGH OF MATAWAN		

The Mayor Speaks

Matawan Mayor Victor R. Armellino, for those of you who did not attend the 1976 NJLP State Convention in February, was the first elected official in the nation to endorse the candidacy of LP Presidential Nominee Roger L. MacBride.

As Mayor, Armellino has attempted to implement Libertarian concepts on the local level in what limited areas of "home rule" the State Government allows. The local tax rate plunged from \$1.40 in 1970 to 71¢ in 1975, showing its most sizeable decreases following those years during which the Mayor was able to use his tie-breaking vote most often.

Armellino's vote was responsible for the repeal of both an onerous Property Maintenance Code and a Council-imposed ban on the opening of liquor stores within 700 feet of each other. In a daring act of political courage, he cut the ribbon marking the opening of Matawan's first massage parlor, whose owner is now an NJLP member.

The ribbon-cutting ceremony became an election issue in 1975, when Armellino bolted the Republican Party because of philosophical differences and ran for reelection as an Independent. He had no platform but his record and Jefferson's slogan, "That government is best that governs least," winning with 41 per cent of the vote in a three-way contest.

The Mayor will be the subject of a "Spotlight" article in the November issue of REASON, and several other magazines have indicated an interest in running feature articles on him.

NJLP State Committeeperson C. William George, who covers Matawan for a large daily newspaper, interviewed Mayor Armellino for NJ LIBERTARIAN prior to the 1976 LP National Convention.

NJL: Since you've become an Independent, what do you think is the main reason why people are severing their ties with the two established political parties?

VRA: I feel that I'm the one who has to live with the decisions I've made, good or bad. I'm the one who has to put my head on the pillow and sleep nights, and I can't if I have a group dictate to me.

My two colleagues who are running for Council on the Independent ticket -- one who was Democratic Municipal Chairman and one who was President of the Republican Club -- have seen my point: The two parties only serve the wishes of small special-interest groups.

You can see that today in Matawan. We have an all-Democratic Council, and nothing positive has been accomplished all year. They're making deals among themselves and ignoring the wishes of the people for less government and more fiscal restraint. It's the worst Council I've had to work with.

NJL: How do you foresee future trends for the state if government spending is not brought under control?

VRA: If things keep going the way they are now, the people will be taxed out of their homes or the state will go broke. But I don't think the people will let it come to that. I would envision a tax revolt. The

people in Highlands (Ed.: Another community in Monmouth County near Matawan) have already indicated that they wouldn't pay their taxes. Maybe it will spread throughout the state!

We have to do something drastic about the state bureaucracy. I've never believed in putting people on the Borough payroll because they supported me, but this is what's going on in Trenton with both parties.

NJL: In view of the fact that you endorsed Roger MacBride for President, what were your reasons for doing so?

VRA: The platform's good. I think it tells it like it is: A person should be free to do what he or she wants with his or her life.

If a man wants to put a shed on his property, why should he have to go before a board which tells him he has to do so-and-so?

MacBride seemed to be honest and above-board, so I endorsed him.

NJL: What do you envision the future of the LP being?

VRA: It's the party of individual thinking -- not bossism -- and I would envision that some day it would be a party of the people.

Today, when regulated industries want to raise the price of oil, the price of milk, the politicians can't say no to them because these industries have contributed very heavily to their campaigns. And so, the people must pay.

I believe that the people who make products have the right to set its price, not a board chosen by some politician. And if the price is too high, the people can shop elsewhere.

I'm also a great believer in the philosophy that if I have a quart of milk that you need and you have a dozen eggs that I need, we should swap them if we find the trade mutually agreeable -- without interference.

NJL: What do you believe a local elected official like yourself can do to implement the ideas of freedom?

VRA: Not much, unfortunately. If a local official can get enough people behind him or her who believe in the same ideas, they can fight for what they believe. But in most cases, that's about all they can do.

The state lets the people in local communities regionalize services but doesn't permit them to deregionalize or privatize these services.

We need decentralization of power back to the people and away from the politicians!

ELECTION NIGHT PARTY?

Although it's a weekday night on Tuesday, November 2nd, is anybody interested in gathering at a local watering hole to celebrate the end of the campaign, hope to see the LP up on the TV tote board, and possibly place a call to California (LA or SF) where Roger will be closing out the odyssey? Call the office at 678-4988 if you have any ideas.

Cal Beatty

DALE A. SUTTHOFF

For 12 or more hours a day, for seven days through Labor Day, at least a dozen NJLP members campaigned for Libertarian candidates and in opposition to the new state income tax. Thousands, not yet counted, of signatures supporting repeal were obtained. (If anyone would like copies of the petition let me know.) Each person signing was briefly introduced to Libertarianism and given literature describing our program and candidates. The audience proved quite receptive, leading the writer to these conclusions:

- 1) The average person now recognizes that government actions are harming the general welfare and themselves specifically. Most people are ready to consider radical change.
- 2) The appeal of liberty and smaller government is almost universal. Everyone agrees that we are headed in the direction of totalitarianism rather than liberty.
- 3) Most people believe that the two principal parties are favoring special interest groups and that this is morally wrong.
- 4) Everyone agrees that government's management of the currency for 60 years is sufficient evidence that their responsibility for their function must be ended. The appeal of the sound currency issue is universal, particularly as it relates to saving for retirement. As an example of unethical conduct the currency depreciation issue is unassailable.
- 5) The lower middle class person proved most receptive to Libertarian arguments, since in most cases they were not members of any special interest groups, had seen a steep rise in their tax rate in recent years and found their disposable income unable to keep pace with rising prices. These people understood these issues, and they blame the bureaucracy and government favors to special interest groups for their fate.
- 6) Young people, particularly those with a taste of working for a living, are bitter because of a lack of economic opportunity that they trace directly to government action. Our stance on repeal of victimless crime laws was generally approved by this group.
- 7) Other people are moved by our appeal to the tradition of liberty and our support of the "Bill of Rights." They are anxious to support us, especially on the currency depreciation issue.

Those who passed us by and objected to our position were largely public employees or members of some other special interest group. A rough estimate is that some 3/4ths of teachers support the state income tax. Possibly 10-15% of parents of young children support this tax. We need better literature on the public education issue. Upper income people were often reluctant to support our

position because of their association with a group receiving special government favors, but these persons were greatly in the minority. Support was excellent from people living in the inner city. Their distaste for the welfare system was evident.

Many genuine Libertarians were spotted, persons who agreed with each of our positions briefly stated. These people were often thrilled to recognize their own and will doubtless be encouraged to join us and work for their beliefs. Several people related specific difficulties they have had with government. It is concluded that there may be good potential for a Libertarian mutual aid society to help those suffering at the hands of an often violent government. Direct confrontation with regulatory force may be better accomplished by a group of concerned citizens aiding the injured party.

We need more examples of how charity and other voluntary actions can work. While hoping to be independent, most people expect government to be their final source of assistance in time of need. Private agencies have often disappeared in the face of the government monopoly, and these are simply not recognized as viable alternatives.

A number of Walt Swinsky's "Stop the State Income Tax" T-shirts were sold. We ran out of some sizes. Given the popularity of the issue there is no doubt that each of us could sell a few, and, in the right environment, maybe even thousands.

Thanks and real appreciation for a job well done to the many party members who helped in this venture, particularly those who put in long hours during the normal work week to make sure our booth was manned. Most people who helped traveled an hour or more each way to reach the fair. It will be some time before the raucous noise of the midway leaves my mind. The thrill of presenting the Libertarian position on a minute-by-minute basis to dozens of persons each day was as exhilarating an experience as I've ever had. The experience was worth the cost, but the benefit for the cause made this a very profitable venture. The potential for follow-through activity is great. Collating, letter writing and other contact work is required. Please phone if you would like to help.

"When a fellow says it ain't the money but the principle of the thing, it's the money."

Frank McKinney Hubbard

THE PAPER ARISTOCRACY

Howard Katz

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For five years, Howard Katz has lived with a frightening world view. It is one in which a paper (money) aristocracy rules America within a structure of corporate feudalism. Katz has exchanged most of his material wealth and comfort for the dual role of author/political activist. One can glean from his writings an obsession to defeat the forces of evil (as defined by Katz) who are in power.

Early on, Katz warns us of an "impending catastrophe" for our society which "can only lead to its complete destruction". He warns us that the paper aristocracy will operate in such a way as to make the restrictions upon our freedom today mild when compared with the loss of freedom we will have suffered by the end of the century.

There are many books and articles which discuss a phenomenon called "inflation". Katz analysis of what is happening to our money is uniquely different. He demonstrates that it is the private banks and their associated vested interests who benefit from the "depreciation of our currency". He presents solid evidence that it is the rest of us who lose.

He characterizes establishment economists as modern day priests who serve the aristocracy by deceiving the people. Katz shows us how most economic statistics measure what is good or bad for this aristocracy while claiming to measure what is good or bad for the people. For example, when the economy is "booming" the aristocracy gains and the average person loses. He devotes a great deal of space to exposing the myths which the economic priests work to maintain.

Katz intertwines historical evidence with logical argument. He devotes an entire chapter to support his belief that paper money is barred by the Constitution. Although the position he advocates is interesting it has weaknesses. While the states are explicitly prohibited from creating paper money, the Federal Government is not. It also appears that he defends Hamilton too strongly.

For those under the spell of Harry Browne, there is a special chapter. Katz challenges the theory that economic power is superior to political power.

Unless you are within a few steps of Murray Rothbard on the economic ladder, you will realize for the first time how much you didn't understand about money. This book is worth reading a couple of times. I strongly recommend The Paper Aristocracy.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

Over 600 libertarians from all over the country and the world attended the LP Convention in Washington September 23rd thru the 26th.

An all-star cast of speakers highlighted the festivities. Dr. Nathaniel Branden presented a fast paced talk on presenting libertarian ideas in a political context.

Other speakers offered talks on various topics ranging from Defending the Undefendable (Walter Block) to a call from Dr John Hospers for a clear ethical definition of the nature of human rights.

Murray Rothbard's closing speech- a stirring talk by a man joyous about the growing freedom movement- was highlighted with a couple of passing notes about the anti-tax efforts of many LP members active in the movement to repeal the NJ state income tax.

All of the speeches will be available on tape from Audio Forum.

One high point was the excellent after dinner talk given at the Saturday banquet by Roger MacBride. Reviewing many of his experiences on the campaign trail, Roger was simply great! He must have been, \$17,000. in donations were raised after the banquet.

Next year, the convention is scheduled to be held in San Francisco.

ELECTION DAY

It all ends on November 2nd. So, between now and then let's push as hard as possible to get out the vote for all of our candidates.

During these final days of the campaign call your friends, remind them that a vote for the republicrats is a wasted vote. If anyone is fed up with taxes, big government and the destruction of individual liberty, voting for the two old time parties certainly will not express a protest against the status-quo.

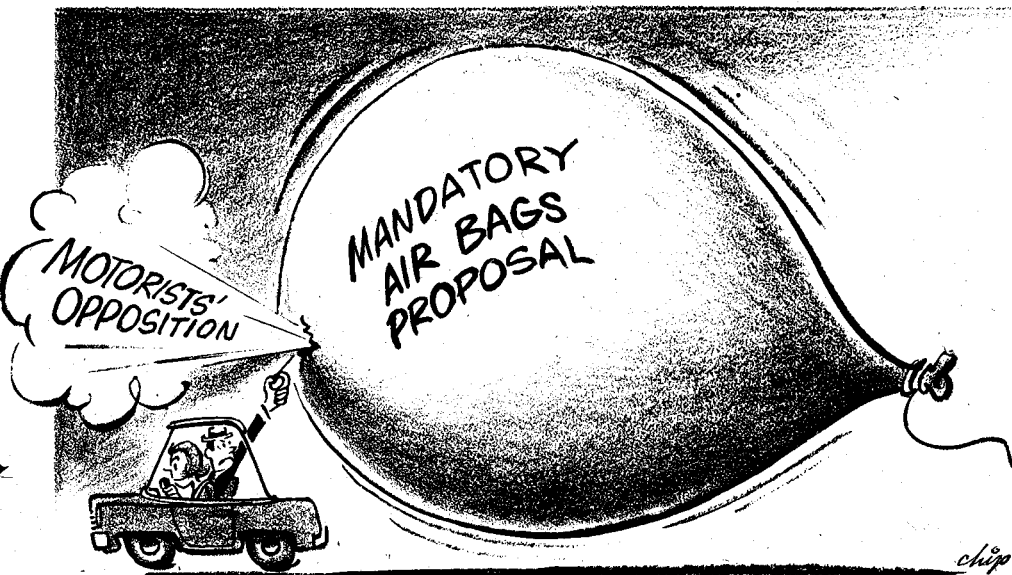
Only a vote for the LP is going to have meaning on November 2nd. Do everything you can to get out the vote.

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September 14th, Meeting

The September 14th meeting of the NJLP was held at the Magnolia Inn in Matawan.

Cal Beatty offered an update of the Mac Bride campaign to date. In addition he announced that Roger would return to New Jersey on October 1st for his final visit before the election. Funds were collected to defray some of the campaign expenses.

Walt Swirsky presented a tape of his congressional campaign commercials which were aired over a local radio station.

Bob Meola and Bill Stewart presented their video tape production of Roger's last NJ visit. A full half hour of libertarian campaigning by Roger MacBride. It will be shown on cable TV in New York City during October.

the concept of winning now! It is not wrong to assume that anyone willing to win at all cost will cost us the only victory that counts -- victory for principle.

2) A Libertarian, which I define as a lover of liberty, is dedicated to freedom in every area of human endeavor. Let's not hide our consistent philosophy by excessive emphasis to one position. If a non-libertarian leaves a presentation thinking we represent no more than conservative economics or total individual freedom we have failed. The libertarian position, and the prime reason a person would adopt our philosophy is the fact that we favor freedom in every area of human endeavor.

3) Avoid outside entanglements. There are many special interest groups that have positions similar to ours on their 'pet' issue. Many opportunities exist for

presenting libertarianism to these people. We can work with (not for) these groups to advocate certain positions. However we should never run the risk of watering down our philosophy or a compromise in principle. This could only lead to total disaster.

4) We have the product-it works-we don't need a new model or better version.

Think of the product in this years' election for president. There are three. Gerald Ford is a product. His supporters are selling him. Jimmy Carter is a product. Democrats are selling Mr. Carter. Liberty is a product; it is being offered as an alternative to the other products by Roger MacBride.

The point is this: When we consider possible candidates for upcoming state and local office we should remember that we have the product; in selecting candidates we're looking for individuals to offer that product in total without reservation, who will not substitute themselves for the product.

5) Becoming a libertarian and participating in libertarian affairs is like living in a free world. Become involved!

Libertarians respect each other. So if you are the shy type - rejoice you can speak up at a meeting and be assured that no one will laugh at you. Express your ideas - we need them. Express any thought that can enhance our ability to succeed - afterall- you're free!

6) Eternal vigilance is the price of freedom. A good case can be made for voting "none of the above" in elections. Many arguments exist for expressing ones' non-recognition of government intervention by simply not participating in the governmental process. However, within the LP in general and the NJLP in particular, dedication to the ideas of freedom we all support implores each of us to take an interest in the party and it's future, participate now!

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LIBERTARIAN PARTY Statement of Principles

We, the members of the Libertarian Party, challenge the cult of the omnipotent state and defend the rights of the individual.

We hold that all individuals have the right to exercise sole dominion over their own lives, and have the right to live in whatever manner they choose, so long as they do not forcibly interfere with the equal right of others to live in whatever manner they choose.

Governments throughout history have regularly operated on the opposite principle, that the State has the right to dispose of the lives of individuals and the fruits of their labor. Even within the United States, all political parties other than our own grant to government the right to regulate the lives of individuals and seize the fruits of their labor without their consent.

We, on the contrary, deny the right of any government to do these things, and hold that where governments exist, they must not violate the rights of any individual: namely, (1) the right to life—accordingly we support prohibition of the initiation of physical force against others; (2) the right to liberty of speech and action—accordingly we oppose all attempts by government to abridge the freedom of speech and press, as well as government censorship in any form; and (3) the right to property—accordingly we oppose all government interference with private property, such as confiscation, nationalization, and eminent domain, and support the prohibition of robbery, trespass, fraud, and misrepresentation.

Since governments, when instituted, must not violate individual rights, we oppose all interference by government in the areas of voluntary and contractual relations among individuals. People should not be forced to sacrifice their lives and property for the benefit of others. They should be left free by government to deal with one another as free traders, and the resultant economic system, the only one compatible with the protection of individual rights, is the free market.

Looking For A Particular Service; Trying To Find A Product? Are You In Business? Walt Switresky, 7 Maxwell Lane, Englishtown N. J. 07726, would like to maintain a list of libertarians who have a service to render or are in business. If you would like to be included in the list contact Walt. If you're looking for a service or product do likewise! Shop Libertarian!

Jane Rehake, who maintains the NLP Post Office Box has asked that we announce that all mail addressed to the box is opened regardless of how it is addressed unless it is clearly marked Personal.

G E N E R A L M E E T I N G

The next NLP General Meeting will be on Sunday November 14th. It will be held at the Magnolia Inn, Rt 79 In Matwan, N. J. Starting Time is 7:30pm

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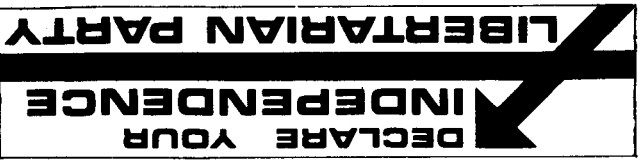
The State Committee will meet on Nov. 14th at 5:30pm. The meeting will be held at the White Shanty, Rt 79 in Matwan.

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