FROM THE CHAIR

Well, gang, you didn't want to help with the petition drive, and attendance at the state convention was less-than-overwhelming, so we've finally come up with an activity you can do in the safety and comfort of your own home (if you have any excuses why it can't be done, I'd rather not hear them). We have found that the letter writing campaign to have the LP Presidential campaign ad broadcast was significant in finally convincing CBS to sell us time. Now, we need help to get more media coverage for our national candidates, and to encourage the League of Women Voters to include third-party candidates in any televised debates (after all, a debate between Jerry and Jimmy is not going to be a debate at all). The phenomenal growth of the LP certainly warrants these considerations, as we expect to be on the ballot in more states than any other third-party candidate (despite what Gene McCarthy says), and we offer a real alternative to what the major parties are pushing. Here are the addresses to begin your writing:

> ABC (Mr. Elton H. Rule) 1926 Broadway New York, NY 10023

CBS (Mr. Richard Salant) 51 W. 52nd St. New York, NY 10009

NBC (Mr. Herbert Schlosser) 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York, NY 10021

League of Women Voters (Ms. Peggy Lampi') 1730 M Street, NW Washington, DC 20036

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mean an end to activity by LPP members: Frank Bubb and I will be helping the New Jersey LP organize a speakers bureau; Gerry Morris is helping with petition drives in states with late deadlines; Bill Lewis is organizing YLA chapters in the Pittsburgh area; Bob and Bertha Murphy are helping with newsletter production. And something that everybody can do: attend the National Convention in DC the weekend of September 24!

FAMOUS FORMER LPP MEMBERS

Former LPP Treasurer Stewart Engel is running for governor of Rhode Island—good luck, Stew! And Charlie Rakowski, another former LPP Treasurer (how come they keep getting away?), now residing in Schenectady, has been very active in the New York State petition drive, which at last report is expected to be a sucessful one.

RACES TO WATCH

Tony Nathan, '72 VP candidate, is running an independent campaign for Congress in her home state of Oregon, and is receiving very good media coverage (Send contributions to Tony Nathan for Congress, PO Box 1235, Springfield, Oregon 97447)...Charles Blackwell of South Carolina is running a viable Congressional campaign in an area of the country where LP activity is just getting started (Contributions to Blackwell for Congress, PO Box 732, York, South Carolina 29745)... Steve Trotter of Utah may have the super-sucessful Senatorial campaign this year, having already received a significant endorsement and 9% of the vote according to the latest NBC poll (Trotter for Senator Committee, PO Box 9164, South Ogden, Utah 84403.)...Long time LP activist Lynn Kinsky is campaigning for Senate in California, where the Peace and Freedom Party has endorsed her campaign (kinsky for Senate, Box 6274, Santa Barbara, California 93111...and closer to home, Region 7 ExecCom member Kathleen McAdam (339 Grafton Ave., Newark, NJ 07104) is a Congressional candidate. These people are working so that your political philosophy has a voice in the upcomming electionsupport them!

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---VOLTAIRE

"What I want to drive into the Congressional mind is the simple fact that the moral law is 'THOU SHALT NOT STEAL'—no matter what Europe may do."

____MARK TWATI

"The welfare of the people in particular has always been the alibi of tyrants, and it provides the further advantage of giving the servants of tyrany a good conscience."

-ALBERT CAMAS

"To force a man to pay for the violation of his own liberty is indeed an addition of insult to injury. But that is exactly what the State is doing."

——BENJAMIN R. TUCKER

The Allegheny Chapter of the LPP plans to direct its initial effort at Young Libertarian Alliance chapter organization at the University of Pittsburgh. To this end we will hold a meeting sometime next month in the general vicinity of the Pitt Campus. We will either have an appropriate speaker or an appropriate film-possibly both. If you are a student at Pitt, and we have your name on our mailing list, you'll be receiving an organizational manual from us as soon as we get them from National. We will also let you know as soon as plans are finalized when and where the meeting will be held. If you have any preference, please let us know! We don't want anyone to stay away because of a conflict in schedules! Also, while this meeting will be primarily for Pitt students, faculty members-don't stay away because you don't fall into one of those categories! Everyone is most Welcome.

NOTES & ASIDES

- *As we go to press, we are ON THE BALLOT in:
 Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado,
 District of Columbia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois,
 Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan,
 Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, Nevada, New
 Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina,
 North Dakota, Ohio, Rhode Island, South Dakota,
 Ternessee, Utah, and Wisconsin.
 IN COURT: Deleware (where the legislature has
 passed a retro-active law) and Oklahoma.
 IN PROCRESS OR STILL COUNTING: Connecticut, New
 Hampshire, South Carolina, Vermont & Washington.
 IN ADDITION: Florida & Massachusetts have qualified the MacBride/Bergland ticket as write-in
 candidates with their respective Secretary of
 State's Office.
- *While time will be short when you get this, don't let that stop me from convincing you to attend the National LP Convention at the Statler-Hilton Hotel in Washington, DC, Sept. 23-26. Speakers include Roger L. MacBride, David P. Bergland, Murray N. Rothbard, Nathaniel Branden, John Hospers, Peter R. Breggin, R.A. Childs, Jr., Morton Halperin, Jay Miller, Walter Block, Eric Mack, David Friedman, Earl C. Ravenal, & Ralph Raico. There will be panels on the Middle East, Lobbying, Victimless "Crime", & Campaign 76; workshops on Newsletters, Libertarian Feminism, Reducing local taxes; two movies; A Grand Banquet; and much, much more. If you'd like to go, but need a ride, contact state headquarters.
- A WASHINGTON ASSOCIATED PRESS release says that the FBI currently has 56 informers posing as members of the Socialist Workers Party. The FBI has used 1616 people during the past 16 years to spy on the organization— all of this according to recently disclosed FBI documents. Syn Stapleton, National Secretary of the POLITICAL RIGHTS DEFENSE FUND (which brought a 40 million dollar suit against the FBIand other govt. agencies,) said, "Informers are not people who merely furnish information to the FBI, as odious as that in itself is." The 66 current informers are "...skulking around, stealing from, spying on, and spreading malicious gossip about people engaged in legal political activies," he said.

- On Tuesday, July 13, Elizabeth Keathly, 1974 Peace and Freedom Party candidate for Governor of California announced her withdrawal from the Peace and Freedom Party, and her endorsement of the Libertarian Party and its Presidential candidate, Roger MacBride. The announcement took place at the Greater Los Angeles Press Club.

 (From Caliber, Aug., '76.)
- Roger (by the time you read this) has taped four new five minute TV spots on inflation, civil liberties, foreign policy, and—in Ed Crane's words, "...a general discussion of the need to seek voluntary as opposed to government solutions to society's problems."
- The Wall Street Journal's Sept. 3 lead editorial on the Defense Deppartment budget in part had this to say: "But the Democrats are not alone in their criticism. The Libertarian Party, which embodies a mixture of liberal and conservative beliefs, is also an implacable foe of the 'military-industrial complex.' The Libertarian manifesto points out that each year 'the Pentagon spends more than the annual income of every corporation in America' without achieving either peace or stability."



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