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ELECTION NEWS

ON THE TRAIL

The Free Libertarian Party galloped to the end of the campaign trail in a blaze of activity.

The post-petition campaign was kicked-off at a general meeting on September 23rd. One of the major speakers at this meeting was Roger MacBride, the Republican Presidential Elector from Virginia who, last year, cast his vote for Hospers and Nathan.

During the following weeks, more than 150,000 brochures and leaflets for the various FLP candidates were distributed by campaign workers; 1,000 Youngstein posters and 5,000 stickers were pasted up. The media was hit with news releases practically every day. A display ad for Fran Youngstein appeared in the Village Voice, Gramercy Herald, Queens Ledger and Glendale Reporter. A display ad for Gary Greenberg appeared in The Westsider and other neighborhood newspapers.

A 30 second TV spot was shown on WCBS (Channel 2), WNBC (4), WABC (7), WOR (9) and WPIX (11). Radio spots (both 30 and 60 seconds) were played on WINS, WPLJ and WMCA. The first two mentioned stations bleeped out the words "damn" and "hell"; WMCA ran them uncensored. While the Labor Party also had some radio spots, the FLP was the only "minor" party to have television commercials.

But our candidates received more than just paid exposure.

The New York Daily News, the largest circulation paper in the country, did a feature on Fran in early September. (The feature appeared on page three while "news on the male candidates" was banished to page 34.) In the News of November 1st, Bill Lawry and Tom Avery were mentioned in an article on the races for City Council President and Comptroller. In the Sunday News of November 4th, Fran was mentioned again in a feature on "minor" party candidates for mayor. During the week before the election, the New York Post, in a series on the various races, mentioned the FLP

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LIBERTARIAN ELECTION BREAKTHROUGH

In addition to the numbers in the diagrams (see page 4) there are several matters of interest concerning the campaign for Mayor that should be reviewed.

Starting with no constituency, we ran a campaign that resulted in our falling just short of obtaining more votes than all the other 'minor' parties combined. We did get 47.8% of the total 'minor' party vote. The other 'minor' parties received a total vote not far from what is usually given to the socialist candidates. Our vote has apparently come primarily from the voters who do not vote for the socialist candidates, even as a protest. We got most of our votes from people who would probably have voted for Blumenthal otherwise.

It should be noted that we made tremendous headway regarding recognition and respect from both the news media and the political establishment. The news media reacted favorably to us and we received substantially more favorable coverage from them than did the other minors. We received editorial encouragement from several sources.

Most interesting, I think, has been political establishment reaction. Traditionally minor parties are either laughed at as jokes or ignored as worthless or foolish. Yet, we were not so treated. Both Marchi and Blumenthal, in public forums, referred to Fran's campaign and said she was saying important things that deserved attention. We were told by newsmen that when the major candidates for Mayor were asked what they thought of the minor candidates, some of the majors said they were interested in Fran's campaign. At candidates' nights, when Fran spoke, several major party candidates for various public offices either nodded in agreement with parts of her speech and picked up her brochure or rose to attack her in the question and answer period. Their political antennae must have told them that she was getting through with a message that threatened their political serenity. And finally, to show our impact on the

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STATE COMMITTEE

At the State Committee meeting on November 8th, Gary Greenberg gave a preliminary report on the campaign - he mentioned that final results of the vote would not be available until later.

An application by the "Paper Club" for a charter was submitted to the State Committee. After some discussion over whether the Club had the necessary five FLP members to qualify, the request was withdrawn.

A motion to pay for Sandy Cohen's expenses to go to the National Executive Committee meeting in Colorado was voted down. The arguments put forth were that he represents more than just New York on the Committee, and the practice has been that Nat Exec Com members have always paid their own way.

Sam Konkin was designated to act as clearing house for transportation for those going to Poughkeepsie.

The State Committee meeting of November 30th was held in Poughkeepsie, and was hosted by the MidHudson Club. The most notable achievement was that 14 of the 16 Committee members were present. About 20 people had gone up from NYC. A number of civic leaders from the Poughkeepsie area were also present. Besides the business part of the meeting, there were speeches by Gary Greenberg, Fran Youngstein and Paul Streitz. Afterwards there was an all night party that adjourned from the meeting hall to the Riggs' and was finished off with breakfast at the Blanchettes'.

Among the items transacted at the meeting was an allocation for a press release to be sent out for Roger MacBride Day - December 18th: the anniversary of his casting his electoral votes for Hospers and Nathan.

The Victory Fund was dissolved; and it is to close out its books with all possible speed, i.e. paying off any debts, etc.

The Committee voted to sign a new lease for the Party office for either one or three years - depending on whether we can get a sub-lease clause.

The business meeting was recessed until December 2nd - right after the General Meeting.

Gary Greenberg proposed some amendments to the By-Laws - they basically involved shifting the Party over to a county committee structure to replace the clubs in sending representatives to the State Committee. After some discussion, a By-Laws Committee was set up to look over these proposals and any others that may be suggested. The Committee consists of Ray Strong, Ray Goldfield, Guy Riggs, Ken Kalcheim and Lee Schubert.

\$25 was allocated to Ad Lib for the purpose of producing sketches for a new print image for the FLP that would be consistent.

It was decided to have a New Year's Eve Party. It will be held at the Williams Club.

The Annual Dinner was definitely set for Saturday, February 9th.

Martin E. Nixon
Mike Nichols

LUDWIG VON MISES

1881-1973

On October 10th, shortly after his 92nd birthday, Ludwig von Mises died in New York City. With this great scholar and noble man died the Golden Age of pre-World War I Vienna. Granting him a recognition not accorded during the last four decades of his life, the New York Times obituary wrote that Mises was, "one of the foremost economists of this century."

In fact, in his mighty canon of work as well as in his life, Ludwig von Mises was an inspiration to every libertarian. Mises carved out a great and consistent structure of economic theory, much of which was his own creation. From this body of knowledge, he was able to show that socialism cannot calculate, and therefore cannot run an industrial system, while government intervention can only create insoluble problems without itself solving any. Mises' economics is a mighty edifice that can be used on behalf of free markets and in opposition to all forms of statism and collectivism.

In his own life, Ludwig von Mises saw himself scorned and neglected after being hailed as one of Europe's leading economists, simply because he refused to compromise one iota with the fashionable statism and Keynesianism that swept the economics profession in the 1930's. Those of his eminent students who did bend with the wind found acclaim and prestigious university posts in the United States; Ludwig von Mises, virtually forgotten, found a post to which he could not gather the best students. Yet through it all, this gentle and charming man, never complaining, writing in a foreign tongue, hammered out a great body of scholarship and insight, and by his life and work inspired today's libertarians. May we prove worthy of him!

Murray N. Rothbard

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WHAT HAPPENED

COCKTAIL PARTY

The guest of honor at the FLP's cocktail party on October 21st was Dr. John Hospers, the 1972 LP candidate for President.

In his remarks, Prof. Hospers pointed out the difference between the New York of his days as a student here and the New York of today - and how the problems of the City are due to government interference. He also detailed a horror story of government bureaucracy and corruption that occurred when he tried to run a coffee shop on the side when he was a professor at Brooklyn College. After his speech, he circulated around - and there was a great deal of interesting conversation with him.

At the beginning of the party, everyone took time out to watch Murray Rothbard appear on television. It was part of a special feature on inflation by WNET's "51st State" program. Later in the evening he appeared in person.

Martin E. Nixon

NASSAU

Around a year ago the Nassau Libertarian Club had its very modest beginning, and for a time it seemed like we were calling, writing and advertising only to each other. Progress was and has been slow, but it has been steady and on October 9th, we had our most successful meeting of our brief history. With our recent decision to hold some sort of a program for each monthly meeting - replacing the previous pattern of monthly rap sessions (interesting perhaps, but not particularly inspiring) - we've realized some immediate growth. A perhaps overly ambitious schedule of speakers for our October 9th meeting included Bill Lawry, candidate for New York City Council President, Harriet Minor, a representative of the League of Women Voters and Virginia Walker and Norah Seif, whose presentation on the unbelievable practice of government condemnation of private property was the acme of the evening. The meeting brought us three new members, and a few other people who hadn't turned out for business-type meetings were evidently more encouraged to attend a meeting with a program.

We anticipated a very academic presentation by Ms. Minor regarding the proposition and amendments on the ballot in New York State this year. However, Ms. Minor was challenged by our members on what she thought were obvious assumptions of public necessity. While she accepted our stand against the Transportation Bond Issue, she assumed that every one agreed that localities must be allowed to borrow more money to expand sewage facilities. When we responded that if the localities were denied the necessary funds that private enterprise would and could service people more efficiently and equitably, she seemed surprised and dubious. As libertarians we realized that there is a right position we should be taking on all of these issues - even the most mundane of them.

The presentation of Virginia Walker and Norah Seif was nothing less than fascinatingly frightening. As Ms. Seif unwound her personal tale of horror at the hands of the New York State Department of Mental Hygiene (and their condemnation powers) all that could be observed around the room was the incredulous shaking of heads. The general opinion was that here we had an issue to stop all issues when it comes to flagrant government abuse - highly emotional and deeply appealing to average citizens. We hope to follow up on this issue. You will hear more about it in the near future from our group and from Virginia Walker's projected Suffolk Libertarian Club. If you would like some information on it immediately, contact the Committee for the Repeal of Condemnation Laws, P.O. Box 86, Shirley, N.Y. 11967.

Other issues the Club is working on at this time are rent control - which the Nassau County Republican Leader has promised to deliver this year, the Liberty Amendment, and we have plans to take an active role in the Tax Protest Day in April, 1974. Also at this time we optimistically foresee running at least one candidate for office next year. In preparation for this we plan a continued membership drive, fund raising projects and perhaps another public colloquium. We would like also to host a State Committee meeting in early 1974.

As officers of the Nassau Libertarian Club we are pleased with our growth and we anticipate great things for the future of our Club. If this article reaches any readers who are Nassau County Residents but are not yet members of the NLC, why not join us? We think you'll like us! And we could sure use your help!

Mary-Jo Wanzer
Robert Thoma
Janet Ackerman

SUFFOLK

The Committee for Repeal of Condemnation Laws is an educational organization working for the repeal of condemnation laws on state and federal levels of government. We hold that eminent domain (the doctrine that the state can take private property for a public purpose) is antithetical to a free society in which private property rights are protected.

Although this Committee is separate from the Suffolk Libertarian Club that my husband and I are starting, it is not only necessary in its own right, but also serves as a perfect vehicle for libertarian ideas. The Committee's growing membership is from all political fields, but all members agree that condemnation is wrong and that the government's power of eminent domain is an infringement on private property rights.

Already, we have opposed the Brookhaven Airport expansion, the Suffolk County 1,000 acre proposed take in Yaphank for "court facilities," the attempted taking of Gardiner's Island for a "public park," Brookhaven Town's suggested condemnation in favor of Allstate Insurance, the condemnation of prime waterfront, resi-

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VOTES FOR MAYOR (MINOR PARTIES ONLY)

COUNTY	FLP	SWP	LAB	SLP	COM	% OF TOTAL	% OF MINOR
BRONX	1138	318	292	354	538	.4	43
KINGS	2086	599	510	518	980	.41	44.4
NEW YORK	2655	838	635	422	1303	.83	45.4
QUEENS	2640	464	511	432	708	.52	55
RICHMOND	299	73	52	36	72	.37	56
TOTAL	8818	2282	2000	1762	3601	.52	47.8

VOTES FOR COMPTROLLER

BRONX	976	420	585	509	838	.51	29.2
KINGS	1702	760	1054	862	1648	.39	28
NEW YORK	1707	826	905	680	1620	.62	29.75
QUEENS	1376	538	795	731	1041	.32	30.7
RICHMOND	142	64	69	87	127	.20	29
TOTAL	5903	2608	3408	2896	5274	.41	29.4

VOTES FOR CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

BRONX	438	262	471	583	495	.18	19.5
KINGS	755	523	874	984	1247	.18	17.2
NEW YORK	851	586	764	427	881	.29	24.25
QUEENS	767	456	559	817	700	.17	23.25
RICHMOND	87	77	62	103	118	.12	14.46
TOTAL	2898	1904	2730	2914	3441	.20	20.9

VOTES FOR COUNTY-WIDE OFFICES (NEW YORK - BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN)

	FLP	SWP	COM	INTEGRITY*
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE	1480	865	2466	1229
BOROUGH PRESIDENT	2507	1957	-	-
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	8301	-	-	-

*This was a second line used by Republican candidates

LEGEND: FLP-Free Libertarian Party; SWP-Socialist Workers Party; L-Labor Party; SLP-Socialist Labor Party; COM-Communist Party

ELECTION HIGHLIGHTS

MAYOR: FLP received highest vote for a national minor party in the last several mayoral elections. We received .52% of the citywide vote for mayor and 47.8% of the minor party vote. Fran received over 1% in 3 A.D.s and outpolled the citywide total for Biaggi's second line. Fran placed first among minor candidates in 58 out of 65 A.D.s. Fran finished first among minors in all five counties.

COMPTROLLER: Tom Avery placed first citywide and in every borough among minor party candidates. He outpolled the Integrity party, an independent line concocted for Republican candidates.

(LIBERTARIAN ELECTION BREAKTHROUGH: cont.)

political establishment, several major party candidates for various offices, or members of their staffs, told us privately that they were voting for Fran. Their support covered the political spectrum.

We were the first minor party to run a TV campaign for Mayor and although we ran only 2 TV commercials, we know they had an impact based on campaigning experiences. We also ran over 70 radio commercials including the sponsorship one night of the Long John Nebel Show, one of the most popular late night radio show on the air.

We ran several 1/4 page ads in the Village Voice and several community newspapers.

We are probably the first NYC mayoral campaign to have our radio commercials censored. The offenders were WPLJ and WINS. And WMCA would be thanked for not even raising the issue of censorship. They played our spots as is.

We helped make victimless crimes a campaign issue; and we raised fundamental questions about the nature of government before millions of people in the metropolitan area. We have established an independent and responsible image for the Free Libertarian Party and we now have a base upon which to build and grow. So, excelsior.

Gary Greenberg

CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT: There is an extremely high correlation between FLP candidate Bill Lawry's vote total and an apparent straight ticket vote for the FLP citywide slate. It is estimated that at least half of Bill's vote represents a straight FLP vote: about 1500 people citywide. Bill finished less than 4% behind the first place minor party candidate.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Gary Greenberg received 3.65% of the vote for DA and better than 1% in all 13 Manhattan A.D.s. He also outpolled the Conservative line in the 69th and 71st A.D.s. He also received over 1000 in the 64th, 65th and 69th A.D.s, and over 5% of the vote in 2 A.D.s. Countywide he received 53% of the Conservative vote, 23% of the Liberal vote and 18% of the Republican vote.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT: Louis Sicilia faced only one other minor party candidate and outpolled him. He received over 1% of the vote in 6 A.D.s; and just short of 1% of the total vote borough-wide.

COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE: Paul Streitz received enough votes to make up the difference between the winning Liberal candidate and the losing Republican-Conservative-Integrity candidate. Henry Stern outpolled Bill Diamond by less than the number of votes received by Paul. Paul also outpolled the Integrity Party, and independent line for Republican candidates. He received over 1% in 2 A.D.s, and finished first among minor party candidates in 3 A.D.s.

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candidates. Fran on October 29th, Bill on October 30th. Gary, Tom, Lou Sicilia and Paul Streitz on October 31st. Then again on November 4th, the Post mentioned Fran and Gary in another article on "minor" parties.

Because of the libertarian position on rent control (agin' it), Fran was endorsed by Real Estate Weekly in a very enthusiastic article. Her stand on pornography went down well with Screw and the LA Star.

An AP wire story on Paul Streitz was picked up by the Staten Island Advance and, of all things, the Poughkeepsie Journal.

On Monday, November 5th, all the candidates were again unveiled to the public when the News and the New York Times both published a sample of that horror called the ballot (see inside).

Some of the TV stations had debates between the candidates. They all carefully insulated the "major" party candidates from contamination by the "minor" parties. On Sunday, October 28th, Lawry and Avery appeared on two succeeding segments of WNBC's "People in the News." On November 3rd, WNEW (Channel 5) had a mayoral forum. On Sunday, the 4th, Fran appeared on two programs, WNBC's "People in the News" and another mayoral forum on WABC.

On the morning of election day, radio station WINS, in a short feature on local races, mentioned Gary as "Hogan's only opponent."

In addition to all of this, the candidates were making personal appearances all over the city - ranging from candidates' nights in Carnarsie to a walking tour of Greenwich Village, with a B'nai Brith candidates' breakfast thrown in for good measure. Tom Avery, who is a student at Lehman College (CUNY) in the Bronx, arranged some appearances up there both for himself and Fran. This resulted in write-ups in the Meridian, the student paper at Lehman.

Election night headquarters was at the Crooked Fence. Shortly before the polls closed at 9 PM, WNBC did a live interview with Fran from there. Results from scattered polling places were brought in by watchers as the evening wore on.

Martin E. Nixon

	Republican	Democratic	Conservative	Liberal	Good Government	Free Libertarian	Socialist Labor	Integrity	Socialist Worker	Communist
1	Charles D. Brethel 1A	Jacob D. Fuchsborg 1B	James J. Loff 1C	Charles D. Brethel 1D	Albert H. Blumenthal 2B	Free Libertarian 1	Socialist Labor 3M	Integrity 30	Socialist Worker 3K	Communist 3Q
2	John J. Marchi 2A	Abraham D. Boasso 2B	Mario Biaggi 2C	Albert H. Blumenthal 2D	Free Libertarian 1	Socialist Labor 3M	Integrity 30	Socialist Worker 3K	Communist 3Q	Communist 3Q
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6										
7										
8	Richard Lewinsohn 2A	Harrison J. Goldin 2B	Joseph J. Perrini 2C	Harrison J. Goldin 2D	Socialist Labor 3M	Socialist Labor 3M	Integrity 30	Socialist Worker 3K	Communist 3Q	Communist 3Q
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14	Thomas F. Galvin 4A	Paul O'Dwyer 4B	Thomas F. Galvin 4C	Simeon Golar 4D	Good Government 4F	Good Government 4F	Integrity 40	Socialist Worker 4K	Communist 4Q	Communist 4Q
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20										
21	Percy E. Sutton 5A	Percy E. Sutton 5B	Allen W. Finger 5C	Percy E. Sutton 5D	Free Libertarian 5I	Free Libertarian 5I	Socialist Worker 5K	Socialist Worker 5K	Communist 5Q	Communist 5Q
22	Frank S. Hogan 6A	Frank S. Hogan 6B	Frank S. Hogan 6C	Frank S. Hogan 6D	Free Libertarian 6I	Free Libertarian 6I	Socialist Worker 6K	Socialist Worker 6K	Communist 6Q	Communist 6Q
23	William J. Diamond 7A	Robert F. Wagner Jr. 7B	William J. Diamond 7C	Henry J. Stern 7D	Free Libertarian 7I	Free Libertarian 7I	Socialist Worker 7K	Socialist Worker 7K	Communist 7Q	Communist 7Q
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25										

OPEN FORUM

THREE CRISES

(An open letter to Howard Katz from Roger Eisenberg)

First it was "virtue before vice." That idea was soundly rebutted as an order of priorities for the FLP. Now you've launched a crusade against pot-smoking libertarians. You claim that it's not the "immorality" of being high that concerns you, rather that you can't understand the temptation. Yet you label marijuana as "evil drug."

You compare being high to stabbing a knife in your eye or sticking your hand into a fire. However, there is no lasting physical damage from pot smoking (except slight effect on the lungs, much less than from tobacco). However, the worst distortion of all is where you equate theft and "sexual immorality." I think such a comparison speaks for itself.

While your moralizing puzzles me, I am much more shocked at your political thrust in "The Crisis of Our Time" (June and July issues of the Free Libertarian). It is inconsistent with history and the goals of the Libertarian Party to whom it is addressed.

First of all, you say that the "crisis" is only two years old, because that's when the GOP jumped on the Keynesian bandwagon. However, the Democrats have been in power for most of the last 40 years. They've had, and used, the power to create a Keynesian system. Why then, is the crisis new? Why do actions have to be unanimous to create a crisis situation? They don't. I'll show later how the Republicans didn't really stand for balanced budgets, either.

On the subject of the Businessman's unfair edge, you brand only the fiat standard as the culprit. You forgot a few things like tariff barriers, government contracts, anti-trust and quota manipulations, etc. On ability to go into debt, you also err. It's not the person with a "scheme" who has the credit lines, it's the established blue-chip companies.

Finally, you say that such issues as war vs. peace, democracy vs. dictatorship and capitalism vs. socialism must take a back seat to the monetary issue. However, your CRGS literature directly ties the gold standard together with peace and democracy, as partners in a free society. Conversely, CRGS ties together the paper standard, war and dictatorship as conditions in total slavery for Americans. Your own literature identifies these issue alternatives as inseparable, so how can two of them be ignored, as you directly imply in your article (in capital letters). On the third (capitalism vs. socialism), I don't see how you can sever the economic question from the monetary one, when fiat-fueled deficit spending always increases with the advent of new socialist schemes.

Those are just some factual and analytical errors on your part. I'm more concerned with your proposed role for the LP in American politics. You want us to draw the GOP "back to the fold." First of all, they were not committed to balanced budgets before 1971, as you claim. Hoover was much like FDR (read America's Great Depression by Rothbard), Ike had two balanced budgets out of eight and Nixon zero for two before 1971.

You point out that the Democrats have beaten the Republicans with the issue of unemployment. That's because the GOP's commitment to the mixed economy has

caused a depression (and major recessions under Ike and pre-freeze Nixon). The Democrats just buy back expansion at the price of a new inflation. However, the Republicans advocated a mixed economy all along.

Picking up what little tidbits you can of GOP advocacy of hard money, you say that in a two-party system you need competition between the principals. Why? The more the GOP sells out, the more estranged Republicans will be ripe for conversion to libertarianism. That's where most present LP members came from. Look at the rapid growth of Denmark's Progress Party (May-June LP News) because the other parties there all support welfare-statism.

Worst of all, you say first that in '70-'71 the GOP lost its "last, sorry reason for existence," and then advocate "holding a knife to the Republican throat." You say we should show our "conservative" side to the public and run candidates with the purpose of causing Republicans to lose marginal elections, by tapping "the still considerable conservative sentiment." It's interesting that you name James Buckley as the first intended victim of this strategy, when he was elected by a party created to do exactly what you're proposing for the FLP. That bit of irony sheds light on the fate of "counterweight parties." They either fall apart or sell out to the party they were trying to influence. Such a strategy is incompatible with libertarianism.

However, you advocate just such a strategy for the FLP. Let's say it worked, by some accident. Then we would have either to support the GOP, having pulled them "back to the fold," or continue to run candidates in marginal districts, where we would make a difference. Then, after going to so much trouble to make the GOP fiscally conservative, we'd be even more sure to cause their defeat by drawing away votes. Of course, we could, in this hypothetical scenario, either run "left" oriented candidates, to hurt the Democrats, instead or just disband. In either case the GOP would drift leftward again. If you think we could run "right" candidates only against Keynesian Republicans and "left" candidates only against "law and order" Democrats, think twice. It takes a long time to build an image and a long time to change it.

The breadth of our appeal is an asset, not a liability. You say we must "throw everything" into the fight against inflation. Our main weapon is our ability to recruit and convert people from one end of the political spectrum to the other. People whom a hard-money approach wouldn't have touched have become libertarians due to similar feelings on pornography, decentralization and, yes, pot.

CRGS is an issue group. No objection here. Don't expect, however, that the party will drop everything else for possible gains in one area. We can do more by hitting the state in many areas. The publicity and membership growth from one arena will help us do more in the next one and so on. There lies our real clout. Let's use it.

For Freedom,
Roger Eisenberg

Letters

Sirs and ladies:

Thank you for FREE LIBERTARIAN Vol 2, #8 - in which you remind readers (me, I mean) that "There ain't no such thing as a free newsletter." Since I am the one who popularized the slogan: "TANSTAAFL - There ain't no such thing as a free lunch," let me invite your attention to a still older aphorism: "Do not bind the mouths of the kine who tread the grain." I will read your newsletter as long as it is sent to me - but I now subscribe to more than 60 periodicals. You all know that I am familiar with the concepts of libertarianism; I subscribe only to periodicals which teach me something new, such as the varied opposition press, and many scientific journals.

All good wishes,
R.A. Heinlein:

Editor's Note: This letter was brought to the attention of the State Committee at its November 8th meeting. The Committee decided that it would not be wise to establish the precedent of free subscriptions to the newsletter. But Fran Youngstein paid for a gift subscription for Mr. Heinlein.

After having spoken to a number of members of the party about the Kat-Kalcheim-Greenberg Papers, I have found this letter of absolute necessity. It seems that a number of members believe that the attack on Gary was based on a motive of personal animosity towards him. I would like to set the record straight and make the matter crystal clear. My attack was based on his character as it related to political activity. I have not now or never had any animosity towards Gary. I would direct that type of attack towards anyone no matter who they are, if they tried to centralize all power in the party and then tried to take that power. There is one thing that I would never do and that is make charges (one after another) which are filled with gross inaccuracies as Gary has done in his so called "rebuttal." All Gary has done is to grasp for straws. I am confident that with some rational thought, those members who believed otherwise will see the truth.

With all sincerity,
Ken Kalcheim

As Spencer Pinney's campaign manager, I feel a duty to reply to Gary's remarks about Spencer's abortive campaign. The reasons why no petitions were printed up were that we had arranged through Maria Martins to print up the petitions quickly and cheaply. After the original layout had been at the printers for about ten days with nothing printed, we decided to seek another printer. With Gary's help (but also with a very long delay) we made arrangements with the printer who was doing the regular FLP petitions. Unfortunately, he would have charged more than double our original estimate. Since the Victory Fund was doing its best to divert our limited manpower into Manhattan and by this time the gather-

ing period was half over, we decided not to bother. Those of you who think that New York State begins at 208A Mercer Street and ends at around 86th Street are going to be in for a shock when the upstaters want a piece of the action. I would like to publicly thank our contributors - Mike Nichols, Marta Green and the various FLPrers. At least Spencer's "Abolish the City" (Free Libertarian - 5/73) plank is being taken seriously.

....Thanks to those libertarians who care about more than themselves and Ayn Rand - Roger Eisenberg, Rich Friedman, Spencer Pinney and Louis Sicilia. That is the membership if anyone wants to try again.

Finally, good luck to the FLP for the coming months.

Youthfully yours in liberty,
Sheldon A. Horowitz

(Editor's Note: Sheldon is moving to Ohio)

Letters to the Editor Coordinator, Bill Lawry, would like to put idea people, writers and editors in touch with each other.

Bill would like to introduce loose chains of people. These chains might have issue or geographical commonality. The links of the chains would select topics, write drafts and edit letters to the editor.

"Remember," says Bill, "we can't speak for the Party or for all libertarians; but we segment the job and concentrate our talents to produce powerful replies."

In particular, engineers and other professionals are solicited. Says Bill, "the various professional societies and publications are struggling to fill idea voids. These voids are largely due to the rapid increase of government impact on the lives of these people. The person with common sense solutions will be listened to."

Call Bill Lawry at (212) 392-0200 (days) or (212) 651-9559 (evenings). "If each chain can produce one letter per month, our impact will be felt."

"We are no longer known as a 'fringe' organization. We have strengths; and we can make them work for us."

(THEATRICAL BENEFIT: cont.)

Mona Slota for helping to decorate the Williams Club, greeting the guests and serving the champaign.

Most of all, thanks to Gary Greenberg and Fran Youngstein for planning this evening of theater. Libertarians have been called many things, but never, to our knowledge, elegant. On October 20th, that omission was corrected.

Susan Corkey
Andrea Millen

(SUFFOLK: cont.)

dential property on Mt. Sinai Harbor (homes included) for a "nature sanctuary," Suffolk County Executive Klein's announced plan to acquisition farmlands for "preservation," the Federal Land Use Act, etc.

Testimony before the Brookhaven Town Board on the Airport expansion received mention in Newsday, Long Island Press, and the Long Island edition of the Daily News.

The Conservative Party in Brookhaven has given me some mixed support. I was on a CP broadcast on WHRF (AM) and WRCN (FM), both Riverhead stations on Sunday, October 21st, with some Conservative Party candidates for town and county offices. The subject was the Brookhaven Airport.

Ellis Stern of the Long Island Press wants to do a Sunday feature on the Committee for Repeal of Condemnation Laws as soon as the elections are over.

Virginia Shields Walker

APPEARANCE IN BROOKLYN

On Wednesday afternoon, October 10th, FLP Comptroller candidate Tom Avery spoke at a candidate's forum at Brooklyn College, along with speakers from five other parties. FLP member Zachary Rouso attended and handed out Youngstein for Mayor brochures in the audience.

Mayoral candidates Beame and Blumenthal sent representatives to speak while the Communist and Socialist Workers Parties sent their mayoral hopefuls. The forum's token psychotic was provided by the U.S. Labor Party.

Each of the six speakers gave a ten minute opening presentation, and a brief question and answer period followed the last speaker. Tom, the second speaker, made a few brief remarks about libertarianism, the libertarian movement and the Libertarian Party, and then concentrated most of his speech on arguments for the repeal of victimless crime laws. He finished with short statements about demunicipalizing government services such as transportation. The next speaker, Blumenthal's representative commented on the victimless crime issue and stated that Assemblyman Blumenthal was in partial agreement with Libertarian Party candidates, since he favored the repeal of some victimless laws (e.g. marijuana and gambling). After this speech, most of the audience (about 150-200 initially) began leaving.

All of the speakers received polite applause. Only the Labor Party representative got special treatment: from time to time, several members of the audience laughed at him.

Thomas Avery

FEDS N' REBS

Tax rebels gained a landmark decision in the U.S. District Court in St. Paul, Minnesota on September 28th.

William Drexler, a disbarred attorney and presently

Justice of the Peace in St. Paul, has filed his returns since 1968 with the following information: name, address, social security number. In each place where there is a space for an answer he put "5th Amendment," crossed out the perjury line* and signed his name.

The government charged him with willful failure to file a return for 1968, 1969 and 1970. It produced 155 witnesses, former clients of Drexler, to testify about payments to him. Even though the government was able to prove income of over \$21,000 for each year, the jury, after being out 15 minutes, came back with a verdict of "not guilty." The decision was not appealed. This is a precedent.

Ken Kalcheim

*Even if one doesn't refuse to pay taxes, they should still cross out the perjury line for their own protection.

(Editor's Note: an interview with Ken Kalcheim on the subject of how to stop paying income tax legally was published in the December issue of Majority Report, a radical feminist publication. The interview was conducted by Loretta Weiss, and might possibly be syndicated.)

THEATRICAL BENEFIT

On Saturday, October 20th, Richard Nixon fired Archibald Cox and Elliot Richardson resigned. At the Williams Club another dramatic event occurred. The Youngstein for Mayor Committee held a theatrical benefit.

Producer John Doswell and his staff magically transformed our usual meeting room into a theater complete with stage, props and even a fog machine! A festive atmosphere predominated the benefit. Many libertarians perpetually seen in casual clothing arrived in formal dress. Champaign was served during the intermission and added to the gaiety of the occasion.

Dr. John Hospers, acting as host for the evening, welcomed us with anecdotes about the Alaska Secession Movement.

The show itself was a completely professional production, notwithstanding the fact that John Pachak had so much fun pumping the fog machine that he forgot to turn it off, to the inundation of the first six rows.

Gloria David, Karen Green and Jean Preece charmed the audience with songs and dance. Montreal actor, Marshall Bruce Evoy, an organizer of the Canadian LP, captivated us with his dramatic and comedic readings from Shakespeare, Rostand's Cyrano and several Canadian poems.

The last number, entitled "Leave Me Alone," had special lyrics apropos to Fran's campaign and included a multi-slide presentation with a libertarian theme.

The acknowledgement list is endless; but special thanks go the John Doswell and his production staff, which included Chuck DeRosa, Warren Doswell, John Pachak and Jean Preece; to Carolyn Keelen for designing the invitation; and to Jane Mitchell, Maria Martins and

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CLUB NEWS

If you wish to organize an FLP club, contact the FLP office. An organizing kit will be provided which consists of model By-Laws, instructions for organizing, literature and PR handbooks, party literature, names, addresses and telephone numbers or members and prospects in your area, speaker(s) for organizing meetings, charter application, etc. The FLP Membership Committee will provide as much help as needed to get you started. It will even suggest projects for those clubs requesting ideas.

If you wish to join a club, the choice of existing clubs follows. If none suits you, you'll have to sit around and wait for someone else to form one in your area or you'll have to do it yourself.

CHARTERED

ALBERT JAY NOCK FLPC: We intend to read the government out of existence. Find out how by attending our next meeting on December 20th, 1973 at 7 PM at the FLP office, 15 West 38th Street. For further information call Robert Cohen (212) 762-3203.

BRONX LIBERTARIAN CLUB: For information contact Bill Roth (212) 823-0454 or Tom Avery (212) 584-5493.

BROOKLYN LIBERTARIAN PARTY CAUCUS: For information, contact Gloria Johnson at (212) 768-5892 or Ray Goldfield at (212) 376-4891.

LIBERTARIAN ABORTION ACTION GROUP: LAAG will be concentrating on contraception and drug law repeal, and is open to men as well as women. The next meeting will be held at the FLP office, Wednesday, January 9th at 7:30 PM. For further information, contact Fran Youngstein at (212) 249-0172.

LIBERTARIAN TAX REBELLION COMMITTEE: The LTRC meets the first Monday of every month. We have a number of anti-tax activities being planned. Through our affiliation with the National Tax Strike Coalition, we offer memberships which include coverage under the legal defense fund and a monthly newsletter, etc. The newsletter is available separately. Contact Howard Katz at (212) 254-4791 or Kenneth W. Kalcheim at (212) 288-0327.

MID-HUDSON LIBERTARIAN CLUB: (Dutchess County area). The MHLC meets every third Thursday of the month at 8 PM at the Unitarian Church; 67 Randolph Avenue, Poughkeepsie. For further information contact Guy Riggs at (914) 462-0613.

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UNCHARTERED

CULTURE CIRCLE: (Brooklyn-Bay Ridge) - existential/pragmatic/humanist - dialog/discussions. Meets Saturdays - call Saturday 10-11:15 AM. 833-5544.

FLPrc: (Multi-club caucus) plots and conspires fourth Friday of every month at 635 East 11th Street - Apt. 24; New York, N.Y. 10009. (212) 673-6136.

LIBERTARIAN ANTI-CENSORSHIP COMMITTEE: The petition drive against all government censorship was launched on Constitution Day, September 17th. Most of the porno book stores agreed to cooperate by displaying the petition and asking their customers to sign. The cooperation of Libertarians is also needed if this project is to be effective. Other action projects are being planned. For additional information contact Louis Sicilia at (212) 354-0292 (days) or (212) 663-2562 (evenings).

LIBERTARIAN EDUCATION ISSUE CLUB: For information contact Noah Fuhrman at (212) 737-8851 or write to him at 35 East 85th Street; New York, N.Y. 10028.

SUFFOLK LIBERTARIAN CLUB: For further information, contact Richard Lerner at (516) 543-9463 (evenings) or Alex Walker at (516) 924-3794 (home) or (516) 345-4596 (work).

ATTENTION: All clubs wishing to place notices in the FLP Newsletter must submit exact written copy by the 20th of the preceeding month. In the absence of any copy, any club's notice will be left to the tender mercies of the editor.

HELP WANTED Lawyers and law students needed for important research project for the 1976 LP presidential campaign. Must be strong on research and have access to law libraries. Need not be from New York area. Contact Gary Greenberg; 305 East 86th Street, N.Y., N.Y. 10028; (212) 860-2519.

TREASURER'S REPORT

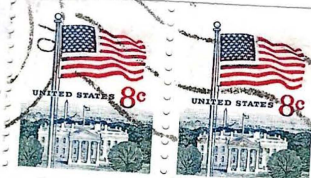
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Income.....	692.93
	<u>1,089.33</u>
Expenses.....	589.56
Balance (as of 11/30/73).....	\$ 499.77

<u>Income</u>	
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Recruitment fund....	32.00
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Newsletter fund....	2.00
Miscellaneous.....	3.00
	<u>326.00</u>
Memberships.....	124.00
Subscriptions.....	58.00
Party (10/21/73).....	75.00
Reimbursements from YFM.....	106.93
Miscellaneous.....	3.00
	<u>692.93</u>

<u>Expenses</u>	
Rent (two months).....	230.00
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The cost of a subscription will be applied to membership dues if the membership application is received within 30 days of the subscription.

HISTORY IN THE MAKING: Back issues of the *Free Libertarian*, the FLP newsletter, are available for 50 cents each (except March and August '73). Get them while they last.

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