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The War Against Liberty

Libertarians Challenge War on Drugs

PROTEST PLANNED: Southern vice-chair Neal Donner is organizing a demonstration against the War on Drugs, to be held Saturday, Oct. 7 at 4:00 p.m., in front of the Federal Building in West Los Angeles, a traditional spot for protests of this kind. It is a coalition effort, and other groups, such as NORML, are sending representatives. Those persons not wanting to be identified on camera are encouraged to wear masks. Neil is asking everyone to wear a white rose, the symbol of the German student anti-Nazis resistance during the 1940s. For more information, contact Neal at (213) 477-6462. This demonstration is part of a chain-reaction that's going on throughout the state. From San Diego to Butte County, Libertarians are saying NO to George Bush and the War on Drugs: or as Ron Paul calls it, the War against Liberty. Outraged over the intervention in Bolivia and the possibility of military action, as well as by the flagrant violation of our Constitutionally protected liberties in this country, they are speaking out on radio and TV, protesting, testifying — doing whatever can be done to stop this headlong rush towards a police state. Although a demoralizing number of Americans seem to favor what Bush is doing, a substantial percentage do not and they are beginning to listen to what we have to say.

But besides the strength of our arguments that call unequivocally for decriminalization, much of our ability to attract an audience is because groundwork has been laid earlier. It didn't just happen.

On Sept. 6, Santa Clara County chair Steve Alexander took part in a press conference sponsored by the ACLU in response to George Bush's speech the night before. Steve stated our position on legalization and emphasized the threat the Drug War poses to individual liberty and the Bill of Rights. How come Steve was invited to participate? He's been working with "Save Our Liberties," a Berkeley-based group composed of members of organizations like NORML that are concerned about the drug hysteria.

Even before George Bush took to the airwaves, Harry Pendery of Paradise, Butte Co., seized an opportunity to address Sen. Ed Davis' Commission on Drugs at an Aug. 24 hearing in Sacramento. Harry was the only one of about 10 speakers with insight or nerve to say what needed to be said on behalf of decriminalization. The fact is, he told the Commission, criminalizing drug use has simply empowered the worst elements of society. It has skewed the market, creating a chance for making huge profits that would not exist otherwise. Even with the risk of getting caught, kids from poverty backgrounds stand a much greater chance of making a lot of money than they do if they simply got a job.

Again, the opportunity to testify before a Commission didn't just happen. Harry saw an announcement in the paper

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Execution of a Protestor

At the time, we did not know his name: the young student who, although unarmed, stood so straight, so defiantly before the convoy of tanks as it bore down upon him in Tiananmen Square. Watching him on our TV screens, who was not moved by his courage. He was a symbol of the individual against the state, and for that reason it was necessary for the state to take action against him.

His name was Ting Zhang; a mathematics student, he had been accepted for post-graduate study in France. The authorities quickly located him and he was executed, with bullets to the brain, in the courtyard of the university dormitory. Also butchered at that time were three roommates, who did not actively participate in the protests, but were in the Square and pulled Ting Zhang out of the way of the tanks.

The executions continue, even more ruthlessly now that the TV cameras are no longer looking. The media for the most part have lost interest anyway. President George Bush has taken no significant action whatsoever, after all, it's got to be "business as usual."

Libertarians must never forget Ting Zhang, and they must never forget those responsible for it.

News and Events from the Regions

15th Congressional District Race

Roy Shimp, LPC candidate for Tony Coelho's vacated seat, came in fifth in a field of eight in the special election Sept. 12, with about one percent of the vote. Democrat Gary Condit beat Republican Clare Berryhill with 57 percent of the vote to Berryhill's 37 percent.

With Condit the clear winner, there will be no need for a runoff election in November. That's actually OK as far as Roy is concerned. He is a high school teacher and goes back to school in September; besides, Mrs. Shimp is expecting a baby about that time, so Roy was figuring he just might not have much time for heavy campaigning. He says he is "disappointed, but not dismayed."

So congratulations to Roy for taking on a tough job this summer, and a big hello to the youngest libertarian.

Here and There

MARIN COUNTY: Co-chair Greta Bickford, who is running for Corte Madera Town Council, has received the endorsement of the local Board of Realtors. The five-member council has three seats open, and four people have filed. The Board endorsed two other candidates, and told Greta they "liked her enthusiasm." She faces a long round of interviews with local media, candidate forums, and meetings with neighborhood associations. Her candidacy has been endorsed by the executive committee of the LPC.

As always, donations are needed. Please send yours to: Bickford for Town Council, 43 Mohawk Ave., Corte Madera, 94925. For more info., call (415) 927-4814. "My answering machine is on 24 hours. Anyone can call any time," says Greta.

BUTTE COUNTY: The LP-Butte Co. has a new local office (complete with computer) in Chico on the first floor of an old Craftsman-style building which has been converted into an elegant office structure. The office boasts some 500 square feet of floor space, and the location couldn't be better: It's right in the center of things, at 331 Wall St. — in fact Assemblymember Chandler has his office on the second floor (now that ought to make for some lively discussions.) The cost is paid for in part by pledges, and partly by northern vice-chair Mark Sweany, who will use half the space for his business. The grand-opening will be in November.

REGION 67 (East San Gabriel Valley): Volunteers are needed to staff the LPC booth at the Great Western Gun Show at the

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Pomona Fairgrounds, Nov. 4-6. Contact Gail Lightfoot (714) 623-1117 or Ed Moss (714) 986-6677 to volunteer some time.

Call for Candidates

Candidate recruiter Ted Brown is looking for Libertarians who would like to run for Assembly and State Senate seats. He'd like to see local office contenders in every race to give voters in every district a Libertarian option. He's phoning around right now, but don't wait till your phone rings. If want to be a candidate, or maybe you're just thinking about it but want more information, give Ted a call at (818) 568-8404.

Ted has also lined up a complete slate of candidates for the statewide offices. *CLNews* will have writeups about each one next month, but for now, here are their names and offices: governor, Anthony Bajada; lieutenant governor, Anthony Bajada; secretary of state, Kennita Watson; controller, Thomas Tryon; treasurer, George O'Brien; attorney general, Paul Gautreau; and insurance commissioner, Ted Brown.

"Needle" Initiative on Ballot

The San Francisco LP's "Clean Needle" Initiative will be on the June 5 ballot in 1990. The hard-working petitioners collected 15,380 signatures, of which 11,173 were valid. They needed 9,399 to qualify. Congratulations are in order for a job well-done, but some donations for the campaign to get this passed would be appreciated perhaps even more.

"This has pretty well bankrupted our treasury," says chair Jim Peron. "As it turns out we could have stopped earlier and saved \$750, but we decided to keep collecting signatures and be safe, rather than risk losing everything."

To help, please send donations to LPC-San Francisco, 1800 Market St., San Francisco, 94102; tele: (415) 864-0952.

Taking Action

Desert Bill Hearings Set: There will be a series of hearings in California on the proposed U.S. Senate bill, SB 11/HR 80 (see July, CLNews). The first is Monday, Oct. 2 for SB 11. Hearings for the House version, HR 80, will be in Bishop on Saturday, Oct. 28 and Barstow, Nov. 11. Times and exact location not available at press time. Please call the Desert Coalition, (714) 684-6509, for details; or Steve Pencall, of Region 63, at (818) 281-8322.

Protest the Death Penalty: The justice (or injustice) of the death penalty is one of those issues on which libertarians are divided, and there are a number of points of view. If you believe the state has no right to execute individuals, no matter how heinous the crime, you may wish to join the March Against State Killing which will be held Oct. 13-22, from Sacramento to San Quentin prison (120 miles). For more information, or to help organize, donate money or participate contact Michael Bauman, Death Penalty Focus Coordinator, (415) 255-8100.

Highlights of the Convention

Fifty delegates from California were among the 500 attendees at the LP Convention, held in Philadelphia through the Labor Day weekend. LP NEWS and American Libertarian will have complete coverage and discussion of the various events and happenings, but meanwhile here are the highlights, as reported to CLNews by immediate past chair Ted Brown.

Incumbent Dave Walter was elected chair on the first ballot. Mary Gingell (from Palo Alto and former LPC chair) is the new vice-chair; Joe Dehn (Oregon) is secretary; Steve Fieldler (West Virginia) is treasurer. Santa Clara County chair Steve Alexander was elected as an at-large member of NatCom and will chair the Finance Committee.

As for the bylaws, the most important change was to reduce the number of members of the National Committee from 30 to 18. California reps Geoffrey Neale and George O'Brien were elected at the LPC Convention in February.

New planks were added to the platform. One, authored by Ted Brown, formalizes our position towards South Africa. We are on record as being in opposition to both apartheid and government mandated sanctions against trade. In regards to China, a plank was adopted declaring our support of the aspirations of the students; and we now have a plank which updates our existing statement on drug legalization by condemning the War on Drugs.

With Congress not in session, C-Span was in Philadelphia at the sessions and panels, so thousands of Americans had an opportunity to learn something about us. Viewers could watch Walter Williams and Charles Murray discuss the issue



of poverty and how we're "losing ground" through the welfare system. At the Symposium on the War on Drugs, Libertarian Gary Greenberg, former assistant DA in Queens, described how the drug laws in New York State are designed to ensure a maximum number of arrests, even of those who are not committing an offense.

The War on Drugs was featured in a number of talks. Ron Paul, the main speaker at the banquet, described it as the most serious threat to liberty at the present time, a point raised earlier at the Keynote Panel (instead of one keynote address), by David Bergland, David Nolan and Dave Walter.

Two new awards, the Robert Lehman Memorial Awards, in honor of the late California activist, were announced. These recognize the growth of state parties, and Pennsylvania and Utah were singled out specifically for their membership increase. Their treasuries received \$200 each, and the names of their organizations were engraved on a plaque which will be kept at the National Headquarters.

Two Perspectives on the Gun Initiative

Although the enclosed petition has not been endorsed by the executive committee, many libertarians feel it is an important step towards reaffirming our right to keep and bear arms and are circulating it. Many others, however, feel it is a dangerous initiative that could lead to the destruction of the last vestiges of this right. The following articles represent these two points of view. John Vernon, chair of the LPC, urges our support, while *CLNews* editor Sarah Foster is adamantly opposed.

A Step in the Right Direction John Vernon

I urge Libertarians to sign the enclosed initiative on gun rights. As noted in the disclaimer, this initiative has not been endorsed by the Executive Committee of the LPC, and therefore, I can only speak for myself. Let me try to explain my reasons for urging you to join me in support of this initiative.

At the present time there is no provision in the California Constitution guaranteeing the right to keep and bear arms for self defense. While it may be rightly argued that rights exist, whether or not they are identified in manmade documents, it must also be seen that many people recognize those rights which are expressly stated in our constitutions. Inclusion, even if flawed, can be an effective tool for maintaining rights. Were it not for the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, I am convinced that the statists would long ago have succeeded in persuading the mass of Americans to abjure any right to self defense by means of arms. The sanctity which many Americans attach to our Constitutions provides a certain level of support for the right to keep and bear arms which would wither away if the right were not expressly included in the U.S. Constitution. Inclusion in the California

Constitution brings the defense of gun rights down to a level which makes defense of those rights possible in California courts, without the necessity of going to the U.S. Supreme Court.

The Issue is Timely

The right to keep and bear arms is a timely issue, and it is important that supporters of this right not shrink back from a strong posture in defense of their rights. Bud Wilkinson, the famous coach of Oklahoma U.'s football team, said, "The best defense is a good offense." Unfortunately, the National Rifle Association demonstrated its timidity in the recent battles over the assault rifle bans, and it is in the forefront of those opposing this initiative. Perhaps the NRA's timidity is rooted in a fear of offending such prominent Republicans as George Deukmejian and George Bush. However, there are thousands of other Republicans and Democrats who are becoming disillusioned with the determination of the Republican Party to stand up for the right to keep and bear arms: many of these people feel abandoned by the NRA as well. It is important that Libertarians come out squarely on the side of the right to keep and bear arms.

It is Saleable

If any such bill is saleable to the general public at this time, this initiative is. For while it affirms the right to keep and bear arms for defense, it disclaims any attempt to prohibit the Legislature from controlling access to such weapons by criminals and mentally disturbed persons. It also avoids the NRA trap of trivializing the issue by calling gun ownership a sporting right, instead of properly identifying it as a self-defense right. While it may be argued that this bill is less than

The Gun Initiative (continued)

a pure libertarian document, an emotionally charged political climate, created by two massacres by mentally unstable individuals, would make the passage of any gun rights initiative that ignores those facts virtually impossible. The principle of political success which needs to be recognized here is expressed in the phrase, "half a loaf is better than no loaf."

It's the Only Game in Town

While I've heard of another initiative being put together by the Second Amendment Committee of Hanford, California, they have not demonstrated the organization to get the initiative on the ballot. Until that happens, I urge you to join me and Libertarian lawyer Don Kates in supporting this initiative. Please ask your family members and neighbors to sign this initiative and return it by **October 18** to Calif. Gun Rights Project, 225 Chester Ave., Third Floor, Bakersfield, 93301-9922.

A Step Nearer the Edge

Sarah Foster

What's wrong with this initiative? The bottom line is, it will not protect your right to keep and bear arms, but will empower the legislature to pass anti-gun bills. Right now the legislature does not have such a right (despite the flurry of bills), and exercising this assumed power is in defiance of the Constitution. If this initiative becomes law, the validity of legal challenges to such bills as Roos/Roberti, based on reference to the Second Amendment of the Constitution, will be void: because by passing this into law as part of the state Constitution, Californians will have voted away the protection they have under the Second Amendment.

We have that protection through our admission to the Union, but because of recent erroneous Supreme Court rulings that claim the Second Amendment does not apply to individuals, we need an amendment that specifically reaffirms the Second Amendment and states its applicability to individuals, thereby placing the right to keep and bear arms beyond the reach of government.

This initiative does not do that. It is recognized as being a "state-preempt" bill: i.e., legislation that gives a legislature the power to decide what is, or is not, lawful for the entire state.

Now in compliance with a perceived Supreme Court man-

date, citizens of several states have passed preempt initiatives rather than legislation reaffirming the Second Amendment. They are thereby giving their state governments jurisdiction over those natural rights which are acknowledged and protected by the Bill of Rights, and turning these into privileges which can be upheld or abolished at the whim of the legislature. Those who hold that a state preempt bill can prevent city or county governments from passing gun-grab ordinances, forget that state legislatures are just as eager to take our guns away.

Now in a series of rather startling decisions, the U.S. Supreme Court has given the green light to state preempt legislation in other matters besides gun rights. It has upheld various state laws and ruled that states can legislate in those matters not specifically denied them by the Constitution. The infamous Hardwick decision is a case in point. In Hardwick, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a Georgia statute that prohibited sodomy, since the matter of sexual preference is not mentioned in the Constitution: which is true, but it is covered by the Ninth Amendment which the Court ignored. (We need an amendment that reaffirms the all-too-often overlooked Ninth Amendment that confirms the existence of rights not enumerated in the Bill of Rights.)

Libertarians deplore the Hardwick decision, and I do not think we would fight it with an initiative that reads: *Individuals have the right to choose their sexual partners; but the legislature shall reserve the right to require each person to register his/her sexual preference and to give to the authorities, upon request, the names of his/her sexual partners.*

Or let's say the Supreme Court ruled that state legislatures can place restrictions on our right to freedom of the press. We would not support an initiative that says: Freedom of the press shall not be abridged; however, the legislature shall reserve the right to issue licenses to editors of political newsletters and newspapers — which will be revoked or denied only if the editor is a criminal, a drug user, or for other good cause relating to personal character. Seem extreme? That's the wording of the gun initiative.

A person in a lifeboat dying of thirst knows that drinking salt water will destroy any chance of survival. Though thirsty for liberty, we must not be tempted to drink the salt water of expediency. That is why I cannot support this petition, and if it gets on the ballot I will vote no. I hope you agree.

The War on Drugs_

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and acted on it. The moral: Don't wait to be called, you have to call them.

That idea works for TV and radio, too. San Diego chair Dick Rider has been on various local talk radio programs. He was twice on XTRA-AM, which is heard from San Diego County to Los Angeles, and fielded calls from all over Southern California. He had an hour on the Stacy Taylor Show, the second most popular talk show in the county, and another hour on KVSD. We're talking hour or more presentations on drive-time radio. More: the night Bush gave his address to the nation, Dick Rider did the 20-second sound bite on Channel 10, and then the commentator called for allout legalization.

According to Dick, the "key" to doing this is to contact the TV channels and radio station, but not by yourself. In his case, Paul King "bird dogged" for Dick by making the necessary contacts and arrangements. Letters to the editor are always a good way to keep the public alert to our position, and LPC chair John Vernon, an prolific letter writer, got even more than a letter in the L.A. Times. On Sunday, Sept. 15, he had an excellent op-ed piece published. Titled "Or Try Wild Liberty. . ." (from a quotation by Emerson that John used), it was featured beside a piece by JesseJackson which expressed a diametrically opposite point of view.

Back again to Butte County: In Chico, Libertarians are sponsoring a rock concert with the title, "Bring Me the Head of William Bennett," a reference to the drug czar's disgraceful call for decapitation of certain drug dealers. This is in November, so we'll have more details next month.

Talk-show and TV appearances, letter and article writing, demonstrations and rock concerts will pay off. But keep the momentum up. Now that we have the ball, let's not drop it.

An \$8 Billion Tax Hike!

Proposition 13, the ballot initiative that was bad news for tax collectors and government spenders but spelled tax relief for homeowners, is under serious attack on several fronts. Get ready on the firing line.

San Diego County: In January, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled unanimously that a West Virginia county's system of assessing different taxes on similar property violated the Equal Protection Clause of the U.S. Constitution.

On April 12, a Nevada corporation called Northwest Financial, Inc. filed a lawsuit in San Diego Co. asking the court to lower its tax bill. If the Equal Protection argument is upheld, it could be the end of Prop. 13, and that means taxpayers will pay \$8 billion a year more in property taxes.

Alameda County: More court action here as a group of indigent people, working with the Bay Area Legal Foundation, has filed suit in the U.S. District Court against Alameda County and the Board of Supervisors on the grounds that Prop. 13 benefits all groups financially except the poor. The suit claims that Prop. 13, by restricting the amount of tax dollars that can be collected, limits the available health care for the poor, thereby violating the Equal Protection Clause. How'd ya like that reasoning? You just know the Board of Supervisors is going to join the hand-wringing chorus over the plight of the "needy."

Voters' Revolt Initiative: A new group called Voters' Revolt has launched a statewide initiative that would create separate property tax rates for businesses and homeowners. It's called the "split roll" system, meaning there are different rates on the property tax rolls according to the use of the land. Approval of the inititive could raise taxes on non-residential property a hefty \$7.9 billion a year.

Joel Fox, president of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association (HJTA), emphasizes that "Proposition 13 was meant to be a tax cut, not a tax shift. Increased taxes on business property will only be passed along to the consumer in the form of higher prices for goods and services."

These threats to Prop. 13 are being monitored and chal lenged by HJTA and Pacific Legal Foundation. For more details and/or to become involved in the tax reduction movement, contact HJTA, 621 S. Westmoreland Ave., Suite 202, Los Angeles, 90005.

Horror Update

It's almost too good to be true, but both AB 2361 and SB 969 failed to get out of committee. They are now two year bills and not really dead, but at least we now have time to build a stronger opposition. (See last month's newsletter for background).

In the case of AB 2361 (Forced Drugging), an impressive lineup of opposition speakers — patients, lawyers, and activists — was on hand to out-argue the slick lobbyists from the psychiatric profession. They were able to convince Health Committee members that the bill would be a disaster both to health care and civil liberties. Collette Hughes, of Protection and Advocacy, Inc. (a legal group that defends the rights of mental patients), and one of the attorneys that carried the Riese case to the Supreme Court, describes the setback of AB 2361 as an "awesome victory" for the civil rights of mental patients.

CLNews does not have any information regarding the defeat of SB 969 (Super-Regional Government). This little horror by Sen. Marian Bergeson had cleared the Senate handily and was greased to go through the Assembly. Somehow, it was stopped in its tracks by the Assembly Local Government Committee. More details as we learn them.

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Alameda	Mon., Oct. 18	Contact Chair for Program Information	Wayne Nygren	415/531-0760
Butte	Fri., Oct. 6	Potluck Dinner/Discussion	Jessica Strock	916/893-3836
Calaveras	T 0 10		Tom Tryon	209/736-4845
Contra Costa	Tue., Oct. 10	Rep. from Amnesty Int'l: Human Rights in Iran	Mike Rother	415/932-4993
El Dorado			Richard Akin	916/622-4785
Fresno			John Graham*	209/275-6220
Humboldt			Daniel Mosier*	707/822-7804
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	Wed., Oct. 11	Contact Chair for Program Information	Phillip Myers	818/703-7056
-62, West L.A.	Thu., Oct. 19	Peter Gordon: L.A. Gridlock — Problems and Solutions	Bob Weber	213/204-0612
-63, Foothills	Tue., Oct. 17	Contact Chair for Program Information	John Tuttle	818/242-5699
-64, Central L.A.	Wed., Oct. 25	Norma Jean Almodovar: Prisoner of the State	Don Meyer	213/463-5362
-65, Downey	Tue., Oct. 3	Get-together and General Discussion	Clark Marley	213/695-1979
-66, South Bay	Sat., Oct. 28	Potluck/Program: Gov't against Wicca; Speaker TBA	Cullene Lang	213/595-6266
	Tue., Oct. 3	John Judge: Political Mind Control (Albert J. Nock Forum)	G.J. Higgins*	213/393-0200
-67, E. San Gabrie		John Judge. I Ontical Willia Control (Albert J. Nock Forum)	G.J. Higgins	213/203-01/1
	Thu., Oct. 26	Dinner/Planning Session for Gun Show	Gail Lightfoot	714/623-1117
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Monterey			Bob Ratto	408/424-9346
Orange	Tue., Oct. 10	Bus. Meeting; also Hallowe'en Party: Date TBA	Richard Martin	213/426-3069
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Placer		Diserty Forum Supper Class. Can for New Schedule Info.	Bruce Daniel*	916/663-2568
Riverside				
Sacramento	Sun., Oct. 15	Call for Program Information	Ron Holman David Henderson*	714/684-5218
San Bernardino	buil., Oct. 13	Can for Frogram information	Ed Moss*	916/922-9973
San Diego	Fri., Oct. 27	C.T. Weber: Proportional Representation Initiative	Dick Rider	714/986-6677
San Diego (No. Co		Ted Brown: Unravelling the Insurance Mess		619/276-1776
San Francisco	Wed., Oct. 11	Video: Milton Friedman: Tyranny of Control	Pat Wright*	619/276-7266
Sail Francisco	Sat., Oct. 21	Pichard Warse Crisis in China	Jim Peron	415/864-0952
San Luis Obispo	Sat., Oct. 21	Richard Wong: Crisis in China (Free Exchange)	George O'Brien*	415/731-3031
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Santa Barbara	Wed., Oct. 15	Candidates for Local Office	Bob Bakhaus*	805/965-2741
Santa Clara	Oct. 11 & 19	Discussion Group, 10/11; Bus. Mting. and Dinner, 10/19	Steve Alexander	408/554-1119
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Solano			Mark Moberg*	707/864-1673
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