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CONVENTION '75: HISTORY IN THE MAKING

The 1975 National Libertarian Party convention will leave its mark upon the pages of history. Over four hundred people from as far away as Hawaii and Alaska attended the convention at the Staler Hilton in New York City the week of August 21- September 1. Two hundred and forty-eight delegates from 38 states hammered out a new platform and nominated a Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidate.

Along with the business of the convention were many other activities. Workshops were given on Campaign management, campus organizing, tax-resistance, fund-raising, public speaking, etc. Panel discussions were held on the MidEast Oil crisis and Women's Liberation. Lectures were held on the Gold Standard and the Legalization of Drugs.

There were breakfast lectures by Mark Tier on the growing Libertarian movement in Australia, a debate between David Friedman and Robert Nozick on Anarchy, State and Utopia, D.T. Armentano on anti-trust, and Jeffrey St. John on the American vs. the French revolution.

All this was topped off with multi-media shows by John Doswell Studios, an original show "Trash" and a Sunday night Banquet speech by Murray Rothbard on the future of the Libertarian Movement.

Getting back to the business end of the convention, the LP's candidate for President is Roger L. MacBride of Virginia who cast the electoral vote for Hospers-Nathan in the 1972 election. The Vice-Presidential candidate is David Bergland of California, who is chairman of the organization attempting to get "None of the Above" placed on the California ballot.

There has been extensive revision of the LP platform and as soon as copies are ready I will obtain them from National. The results of the election for National party office are: Ed Crane- unopposed for Chair
Andrea Millen- unopposed for vice-chair, Greg Clark-unopposed for secretary, Fran Youngstein, unopposed for Treasurer. The national executive members for our region (region 8) are David Long of Mass. and Lee Schubert of New York who won over Virginia Walker.
Roger Macbride won the nomination on the first ballot: MacBride-142
Haroff-62 Riggs-34.

There will be a special convention held in New York for all members of the FLP to discuss the convention and make plans for '76. Notice will be going out shortly.

Anyone not now subscribing to the Free Libertarian, FLP newsletter is advise to do so \$5.00 for FLPmembers, \$7.50 for non-members.

***The National convention was covered by CBS and NBC. We were on the Saturday evening 6 and 11 o'clock news on CBS and 11 o'clock on NBC. Also we were written up twice in the New York Times, Thursday and Sunday August 28st and 31st.

The Nassau Libertarian Club will soon have new officers. 1975 has been a year of inactivity in Nassau. 1976 must be a year of activity. If you sincerely care about your freedom you must fight to maintain it. Be an active Libertarian or become a slave to your government.

THERE IS NO MIDDLE GROUND!