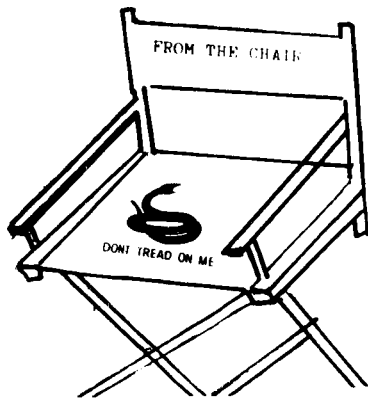


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Dear Libertarians,

We have just concluded a most exciting and rewarding election year. We have grown larger in number. (More NJLP members than ever before). Our vote totals are encouraging. Public awareness of the Libertarian Party is at an all time high.

The new year is almost upon us and with it brings fresh hopes. I've had the privilege of leading the party these last several months and my optimism for our success has grown. The party will soon be electing its new leaders. In order for us to maintain growth, we need your active participation.

It is my intention that the NJLP field a complete state of congressional candidates for the 1978 election. In doing so we will make history!

If you have read this far you qualify for consideration as a candidate for either public office or party leadership. The new party leaders will be elected at our February 11 convention. We will also be nominating our U.S. Senatorial candidate and fifteen Congressional Representatives. Please send me a postcard telling me of your intended level of participation.

I urge you to make every effort to attend the convention, as petitions will be circulated for the 1978 nominees. This will assure us of a smooth running petition drive and ballot status.

I wish you all a happy holiday.

Walt.

To the Editor:

The next time anyone tells you that voting for an LP candidate is ineffective, you can lay this one on them:

On Nov. 8, 1977, for the second time in a row, the LP's nominee for Assembly in the 11th District received more votes than the margin of difference between the two major party candidates.

Democratic Assemblyman Walter Kozloski received only 213 more votes than Republican John Dawes, while LP nominee Elizabeth Macron received 614.

In 1975, Democratic Assemblyman Morton Salkind -- undefeated since first seeking elective office in 1969 -- lost to Republican Marie Muhler by 271 votes. That year, LP nominee Ronald Wishart received 1,096.

Incidentally, the 11th District was identified prior to each of these elections as a key marginal district by the NJLP Voter Research Committee.

C. William George
NJLP State Committeeperson

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NOVEMBER 13, GENERAL MEETING

An NJLP general meeting was held at the Magnolia Inn in Matawan. Discussion of the vacating of the NJLP office, and disconnecting the phone was made.

A movement was passed to increase the dues structure as follows:

Student from \$ 4.00 to \$ 5.00
Regular " " 7.50 " 10.00
Sustaining from 25.00 " 35.00

Although increases for Life and Life sustaining memberships were suggested, the motion was defeated. Also defeated was the movement to change to a calendar year membership.

A movement by Ken Kaplan was made to approve Don Meinshausen to be convention chairmen with the proviso that he sends a confirmation to the Chairperson with a written commitment to hold the convention at Princeton University. The date scheduled for the annual convention is February 11, 1978. Don said that he had talked with Princeton, who assured him that there would be no problem in obtaining their campus for this event. Roy Childs is scheduled to speak there. Don feels that we may be able to get Carl Hess as a speaker too.

Ron Wishart moved that we place an add in the convention booklet of the Association of New Jersey Taxpayers. The add will cost \$10 for a quarter of a page. The motion was passed. This convention will be held at the Forsgate Country Club on January 29, 1978.

Frank Primich talked about his campaign in which he ranked third among the independent in vote totals.

Ken Kaplan announced that Barry Segal was elected Chairperson and Treasurer of the Essex County Organization.

A discussion followed as to whether or not the proposed platform should be voted upon at this meeting. Ken proposed that we use the national platform. A movement was made by Lee Shubert to table consideration of the platform for the time being. This motion was passed. It was suggested by Ron Wishart that the platform pertain only to New Jersey issues with statements on national issues as resolutions. This movement was passed. Also Jane Rehmke moved that the state committee appoint a platform committee chairperson to draw up a platform before the convention date. This too, was passed. The following movements for consideration in regard to resolutions under the proposed platform under energy: 1, 2, in paragraph 1; 1 and 5 in paragraph 2; and 1, 2, and 4 in paragraph 3. These movements by Jane were passed. Ken's movement to adopt the whole plank as a resolution was not accepted. Chris White moved that we adopt as resolutions from the Transportation plank the following: paragraph 2, sections 1,2,3,4, and 6; paragraph 3, sections 1 and 2. This motion was passed.

Ken moved that we take action against Bob Ryley for suspected misappropriation of funds and bad checks issued to the NJLP. This motion was passed.

VOTE TOTALS FOR PAST ELECTION
Frank Primich for Governor 6,000+
BERGEN COUNTY

Assembly: Bob Shapiro 36Leg. Dist...527
Charles Irwin 37 " ".....395
Ken Miller 37 " ".....472
Susan Raggi 40 " ".....537
Dan Bauch 40 " ".....413
Henry Koch 39 " ".....681
Bill Zelko 39 " ".....432

ESSEX COUNTY

Senate: Ken Kaplan 26Leg.....250
Assembly: Betty Florentine ".....242
Dick Roth ".....204
Al Korby 27 ".....266
Barry Siegel " ".....268

Freeholders: Cal Beatty.....925
Charles Hofker.....804
Don Meinshauson.....810

MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Assembly: Mike Fieschko 17 LD.....399
Bill Stewart " ".....375

MONMOUTH COUNTY

Senate: Ann Riecker 11 LD.....513
Jack Moyers 12 ".....249
Assembly: Russ Malta 10 ".....681
Elizabeth Macron 11LD.....592
Steve Enterline 12 ".....352
Freeholder: Lucille Bender1584
Sheriff: Walt Swirsky.....929
TSP.Committee:
Jeanne Macron..... 113

OCEAN COUNTY

Senate: Len Flynn 9 LD.....1116

PASSAIC COUNTY

Wayne Tsp.
Mayor: Mary Ann Herrmann 107
Councilman at Lge. Bob Herrmann 158

No Friend of Mine

Whenever I receive a letter with a "Dear Friend" greeting on it, I make sure my wallet and checkbook are secure. It's getting so bad that I may start sending them checks signed "Dear Friend" or "Occupant".

Whatever you do when writing a fundraising or promotional letter, don't ever, EVER use "Dear Friend". Innovate! Try something new. "Dear Person" "Fellow Libertarian" "Dear Taxpayer" or "Fellow Victim" "Hello There" "Good Morning" "You've read this far" "Had enough?"

Thanks to the following people for taking the time to type their articles in the ready to print four and a half inch column: Bill George, Ed Huser, and Warren Kupchik. Also, I'd like to thank Len Flynn and Bob Shapiro for reporting to me the vote totals in their districts. If any of you do not see your voting results, please let me know and I will try to include it in the next edition.

The N. J. Libertarian welcomes the following new members:

Ken Miller.....Teaneck
Joseph G. Williams.....Rahway
Wayne J. Binn.....Nutley
Thomas Joffe.....Parsippany
Timothy Nemer.....New Brunswick
Mary & Walter Baxszczewski..Summit
Fred Marra.....Toms River

The election is over, and I, for one, am somewhat perplexed. Not because of what some may deem an unsuccessful percentage of the vote total, nor the fact that we still haven't as yet achieved a victory in electing one of our candidates. I am puzzled because I find the victory of the Democratic party to be indicative of the apathy that exists in our society.

Many have said, in this election, as well as in past ones, that the success of the Democrats has shown a weakening of the Republican party. They maintain that the downfall of the GOP is that which might be the very thing for the future success of Libertarianism.

I would like very much to agree with that theory. However, I am not able to see things in that light. I feel that unless we can better educate and inform the voters in future elections, we are running the risk of complete socialistic take over in the not so distant future.

Incipidly, as Liberals take hold of yet another aspect of our lives, they tend to reflect the attitudes, or rather the lack of attitude of many who have lost the will to fight for that which was guaranteed to them over 200 years ago. Resigning themselves to paying more and more, with the expectation of receiving increased benefits has been the philosophy of those who feel they need an entity larger than themselves to see to their welfare. Fortunately, there are still those of us who have not reached that point of despair and loss of faith in our own ability to think for ourselves. Thus we are not ready to swallow and digest that which is constantly being dished out to us. Living in a system that has been taxing us on every level has become a bad habit: one too difficult to break, as despite the distaste, they nevertheless remain resigned. The justification of increased social reforms as a promise in lieu of just a bit more out of our pockets not yet penetrated deeply enough to open the eyes of the victims of this system.

These ideas have got to be met with opposition from an informed body of people who know and understand fully the nature of the consequences that result from such philosophy. We appear to be in jeopardy at present, and we may be headed for disaster.

The examples set forth by other countries such as England and Sweden have had little impact upon the citizens of this nation. And at the risk of quoting a trite cliché, "You never miss the water 'till the well runs dry," the people of this state and country are missing the point. Until we become the products or the subjects of a government that has completely taken away each and every freedom we once considered our unalienable rights, we will not know what it is like to have our lives entirely controlled by a "Paternalistic Big Brother." But by then, the proverbial well will have run dry, and it will be too late. By that time we will have relinquished all of the power that once we had as a people whose government existed to serve us.

The candidates in this past election were most dedicated and sincere in their endeavors. We should credit them, and those who assisted in their campaigns for such fortitude. And although I do feel that we must continue to run candidates and claim for ourselves that little bit of exposure that accompanies the attainment of ballot status, I feel much more is needed to obtain that which we seek. We should feel proud that ours is not just one more political party which reaches the public in the form of opportunists seeking their own success while promising things that never seem to materialize. But we must do what is necessary to avoid being considered merely the products of an unpopular party whose philosophies reflect negative responses, rather than a constructive set of concrete goals. We must make every effort to educate the public, and by taking this stance, provide them who are uninformed the benefits of our knowledge. Our goal should therefore be to create a more enlightened society.

I realize that this is not a novel nor a unique approach, as many of us spout the same verbiage. However, reflecting upon our mutual philosophy could not hurt us. Rather, I hope it will reinforce and perhaps invigorate us during this crucial period.

Bonnie

Libertarian speaks on victimless crime

HOWELL - Speaking to a group of Libertarian Party supporters here Anne Riecker, the party's candidate for State Senate in the 11th district explained her stand on victimless crimes.

The victimless crime issue, according to Riecker, shows the Libertarian consistency on the principle of not initiating force, no matter how worthy the goal. "Conservatives want the government to stay out of the market place yet they want the government to tell people how to run their lives," she said. "Liberals are just the opposite. They want the government out of

people's lives and into our businesses. Libertarians believe the only role for government is to protect us from force and fraud - not to protect us from ourselves.

In regard to pornography she asked, "Does anyone really feel safer now that 'Deep Throat' has been closed? Let's get the police out of the theatres and back on the streets. I would work to repeal victimless crime laws and help the police concentrate on fighting crimes with victims." Riecker's running mate for assembly is Elizabeth Macron.

And now a few words from 'IFA' (Inequality For All)...



'Will it mess up our present control of 80 per cent of the nation's economy?'

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"The principal difference between a banker and a counterfeiter...is that the banker does it legally."

WTK

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The following letter was published in The Herald-News (Passaic) on 11-1-77.

Is Farming Artificially Sustained?

With grain prices tumbling, American farmers are madder than hornets. They're mad because—after having overproduced their crop—the supply of their goods far exceeds the market demand for it; the direct result of this is steadily dropping farm prices which threaten to push the marginal producers out of business, while sharply reducing or eliminating the profits of those farmers who remain.

To 'remedy' this situation, various farm groups have asked the government to: 1) provide them with subsidies, 2) make low-interest farm loans available, 3) build grain storage facilities for them—at taxpayer's expense—so that the farmer can store his grain off the market until he can demand higher prices from consumers, and 4) prevent these first three actions from being nullified, once they are in place, by then erecting import quotas (and bans) against foreign competitors.

Although items 1 and 2 are the principal—though subtle—causes of agricultural overproduction, the intent of all four proposals is brutally obvious: after first employing the government's coercion to extort subsidies (from taxpayers) for the inefficient overexpansion of his capital holdings, the farmer then demands government protection from the declining prices which are an inevitable consequence of his overproduction.

Journalists frequently attribute high food prices to the 'profiteering middleman' who, after he has finished exploiting the poor farmer, then leaves him starving in the dirt. But they are wrong. The only way extraordinarily high profits can be maintained indefinitely by any individual or group is by grants of government privilege. And in the realm of 'agribusiness', such grants of privilege not only exist, but are extended to everyone—from the lowly sod farmer...to the board chairmen of giant food-processing corporations. These privileges, enacted into law by both the Hoover and Roosevelt administrations, create a web of monopoly grants that permeates the entire matrix of not only agriculture, but other 'big' businesses as well.

And what about the 'poor starving farmer'? When he occasionally gets plowed-under by the big boys, his only real value—and function—is to the farm lobby, who uses his plight as a propaganda tool—beamed at a still gullible American public—which tries to sustain the illusion that 'free enterprise' is still alive and well.

At the height of the oil embargo several years ago, self-righteous Washington politicians angrily denounced the oil-supply-restricting Arab producers as 'cartelists'. And yet, even though American farmers are ALSO trying to restrict the supply of goods on the market place today (and for the same reasons...\$\$\$), those exact same politicians remain strangely silent now; evidently, while the Sheik of Araby is not a registered voter here, the American farmer is. And again, as usual, the consumer is inextricably caught between a rock and a hard place—what the farmer can't get from you through the market place, he steals from you via Uncle Sam. This is capitalism? Sounds more like mercantilism to me.

If a city worker can't make it at one job, he tries another, and another, and another...until he can. The same should apply to RFD. If a farmer can't stand the heat of the pasture, he should get out of the farm business and find some work he can be successful at—and leave the very serious business of farming to those professionals who CAN make it on their own!

Warren T. Kupchik

Upper Montclair

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Flynn Stressing Tax Stand

TOMS RIVER — Leonard Flynn, Jackson Township, is campaigning as a Libertarian Party candidate for a 9th district state Senate seat on a platform stressing opposition to state taxes.

Flynn, 31, opposes Democratic incumbent John F. Russo and Republican candidate James J. Mancini.

Flynn is opposed to the state income tax, and is calling for the eventual elimination of the state sales tax.

"The way to help the economy and reduce taxes is to slash state spending and shrink the bureaucracy," he said in a prepared statement this week.

Flynn also calls for the repeal of all laws concerning so-called victimless crimes, including those regulating gambling, pornography and personal drug use.

"What you do with your own body or your own property is none of the government's business, provided you respect the basic rights of others," the candidate said.

Flynn is a member of the American Civil Liberties Union and the National Rifle Association.

LIBERTARIAN PARTY

Statement of Principles

Membership Application

NEW JERSEY LIBERTARIAN PARTY
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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.



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Asbury Park Press

Frank J. Primich (left), Libertarian Party candidate for governor of New Jersey, expresses his views at a press conference conducted yesterday afternoon in Jackson Township. With him are (left to right) Len Flynn, the

Libertarians' aspirant for state Senate from the Ninth District; William A. Hall and John J. Conard, both from the Ninth District who are candidates for the Assembly on the Independents for Independence Party.

Libertarian Party's Candidate Urges \$1.2 Billion Budget Cut

JACKSON TOWNSHIP — Libertarian Party gubernatorial candidate Frank Primich, M.D., says \$1.2 billion can be cut almost immediately from the state budget.

The result, Dr. Primich said yesterday, would be the elimination of unnecessary services and departments funded by the government.

Dr. Primich and state legislative candidates who identify with the Libertarian viewpoint gathered for an open house yesterday at the home of Leonard T. Flynn, who is running for the Senate from the 9th district.

John J. Conard and William A. Hall, seeking Assembly seats as "Independents for Independence," were also present.

Election Preview

The candidates reemphasized their unanimous objection to the income tax and their belief that all other taxes should be reduced or repealed.

Dr. Primich, who has as a pledge, "Cut the budget, cut the red tape, cut the (fill in expletive)," said such government agencies as the state Motion Picture Division, high-

way authorities, the departments of Energy, Education and Higher Education, can either be eliminated or drastically trimmed.

Libertarian candidates favor, in general, a return of many services now regulated by the government to the private sector so that a free market economy could develop in the state.

The money which is saved through such budget cuts, Dr. Primich noted, would more than compensate for the tax revenues now supporting education.

Dr. Primich, a practicing physician living in North Bergen, announced that Jasper Gould, an Independent gubernatorial candidate, has asked his supporters to vote for the Libertarian candidate because the two men are in complete agreement regarding issues and solutions.

Dr. Primich and Flynn, who both support repeal of the state Thorough and Efficient Education law, also favor substantial revisions in the educational system. They note that fundamentals should be stressed and the frills should be dropped.

Courses such as African history and Spanish are only paying lip service to vocal minorities, and along with classes such as

basket weaving, should be abolished, Dr. Primich said.

A school funding program based on property tax credits for those persons who do not have children in public schools could be successful in the state, Flynn said.

Under the plan, senior citizens, single persons, childless couples and parents with children in private schools would not pay for the public education, Flynn explained.

Government schooling could be funded through this program if cuts in the educational system were made and a return to the basics - reading, writing and arithmetic - took place, he said.



Libertarianism's Most Controversial Book??

SUPPORTERS

"Looking through *Defending the Undefendable* made me feel that I was once more exposed to the shock therapy by which, more than 50 years ago, the late Ludwig von Mises converted me to a consistent free market position. Even now I am occasionally at first incredulous and feel that "this is going too far," but usually find in the end that Block is right. Some may find it too strong a medicine, but it will still do them good even if they hate it. A real understanding of economics demands that one disabuses oneself of many dear prejudices and illusions. Popular fallacies in economics frequently express themselves in unfounded prejudices against other occupations, and in showing the falsity of these stereotypes Block is doing a real service, although he will not make himself more popular with the majority." **FRIEDRICH A. VON HAYEK**

"Judging from the outraged responses in many libertarian quarters, many of 'our people' are not ready for this exciting and shocking adventure. Since libertarians are, or are supposed to be, on the forefront of thought, since their whole lives have been an intellectual adventure in many ways, the hostility becomes even more mysterious." **MURRAY N. ROTHBARD**

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"It is a magnificent book, a trailblazer. I would call it 'Drano for Clogged Minds,' except that Drano is neither amusing nor stimulating, and this book is both. I suggest buying two copies: one for yourself and one for the person you want most to catch up with you." **ROGER LEA MacBRIDE**

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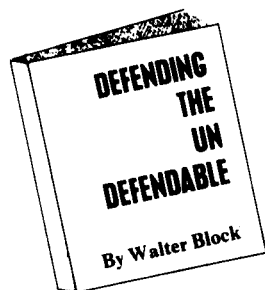
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Editor, Libertarian Review

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"Toleration of unpopular religious and cultural groups has always been one of the chief tenets of classical liberalism... Block carries this libertarian principle to its logical and radical conclusion: toleration of *all* non-aggressive pursuits." **LAWRENCE WHITE**
Harvard Political Review

"A remarkable book. I found myself agreeing with Block for most of the time, and his argument is often ingenious. Spend a pleasant evening reading aloud some of his chapters (they are all quite short)." **HENRY MEULEN, The Individualist**



DETRACTORS

"There can be no question of my writing a testimonial on behalf of this book." **NATHANIEL BRANDEN**

"*Defending the Undefendable*—A doomed attempt, one would say. Like thinking the unthinkable, uttering the unutterable, or calculating the incalculable. As the philosopher remarked, whereof one cannot speak, thereof one had better keep quiet.

This assemblage of defences cannot (can it?) be facetious since it is ushered in by the author's pious reference to a 'passion for justice'...

Rather non-persuasive are the cases made out for the Dishonest Cop, the Speculator in food, the Non-Contributor to Charity, the Stripminer, the Drug Pusher, the Denier of Academic Freedom, and the Person who yells 'fire' in a crowded theatre. A passion for justice ought to inspire one to greater efforts." **D.J. ENRIGHT**
London Times Literary Supplement

"... A positive menace to the libertarian movement. His smart-alecky, sensationalist style, the silly and false social and psychological assumptions he uses to back up some otherwise (mostly) valid political and economic points, the frivolous and insensitive attitudes he displays toward serious human problems all serve to confuse and distract from the valid points. Most people will be difficult to convince on rational political grounds without obscuring the issue with other half-baked, offensive, and unnecessary arguments. The book will be offensive to people not just because they disagree with the political arguments but because his general attitude will be interpreted as callous, asinine, and an affront to human dignity. It will surely reinforce the worst stereotypes people have about capitalists." **SHARON PRESLEY**
Laissez Faire Books

"... The wrong book at the wrong time... An absolutely mad way of introducing someone to libertarianism... I am convinced that it is probably a short run strategic disaster. One needs not only a steel will based on solid libertarian premises to accept Professor Block's message, but one needs a cast iron stomach as well. Those whom he defends are often, if not usually, the dregs of society; we could even say the very scum of the earth." **WALTER GRINDER**
Libertarian Review

"*DTU* is a work of unrealized potential. The editing is sloppy. And the quality of the writing varies from chapter to chapter. Many good arguments, and indeed the book itself, founder over a simple misconception: Block is misusing the word *hero*... He is not consistently attentive to detail, nor is he very ambitious in enriching his rich thesis with examples and anecdotes. If he had attended better to the art of writing and spared us the silly insistence of making all of society's rogues into heroes, then his very important thesis might well have become a very important book." **JAMES D. DAVIDSON**
Libertarian Review

"Not only does he *defend* prostitutes, pimps, counterfeiter, ticket scalpers, slumlords, blackmailers, libelors, stripminers, litterers, and scabs (among others), he actually has the temerity to call them *heroes*! Block even has the gall to challenge the most enduring shibboleth of higher education, academic freedom." **DAN C. HELDMAN, Universitas**

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