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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 16-- NJLP Steering Committee meeting at 6:00 PM at Patti's Restaurant (tentative) in New Brunswick. All NJLP members are welcome to attend.

Every Monday-- Libertarian Discussion Club, 6 PM, Patti's Restaurant, 37 Bartlett St., New Brunswick. For info and directions call 201/751-2824 (Danny) or 249-7649 (Rick).

Every Tuesday-- NJ Americans for Constitutional Taxation (ACT) free public meeting, 7 PM, Moffa's Farm Restaurant, Almonesson Rd., Blenheim. Call 609/HAD-ENUF for info.

Every Wednesday-- Activist and campaign strategy meeting at Richard Duprey's home. Everyone welcome. For directions or info, call Rich at 201/445-6098.

2nd Thursday of each month-- Constitutional Freedom Committee meeting, 8 PM, Ollie's Restaurant, Route 9 and Tilton Rd., Northfield, NJ. Guest anti-tax speaker at each meeting. Call 609/927-2320 after 5 PM for details.

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FLYNN FOR GOVERNOR CAMPAIGN

By Ginny Flynn

Although vote totals are not yet available I believe the NJLP's campaign for Governor was quite successful. Given limited time and resources we managed to effect some significant achievements. I was able to attend almost every debate and took advantage of all TV (both cable and otherwise) and radio time offered.

Rick Hoegberg and Christi Brazil hosted a wonderful (both socially and financially) cocktail party for the campaign. We saw several new faces there and were able to arrange distribution of the campaign leaflets.

Christi also traveled to Philadelphia where she taped an Editorial Reply to WCAU-TV's (CBS, Channel 10) endorsement of Kean. She did a great job and we were all able to view the tape at our election night party.

Steve Friedlander provided invaluable help in devising the campaign brochure. We printed 9,000 copies for statewide distribution.

Pat and Joanne Fallon worked hard with Len and I to produce four radio ads for the campaign. All four ads were aired on several radio stations in north, central and south Jersey.

Many people attended campaign events with us, donated money to the campaign, and helped to distribute the campaign brochures. I thank everyone for their contributions.

FROM THE EDITOR

In December's New Jersey Libertarian we will print all the election news that is available. If any of you have newspaper clippings about any NJ libertarian campaigns please send them in so they can be put in the newsletter and shared with everyone.

By Len Flynn

The NJLP membership held a general meeting on November 5 at 10:30 PM during the Election Day celebration by the Virginia Flynn for Governor campaign. The members supported several proposals to assist future NJLP campaigners and "spread the word" about the libertarian movement.

The members approved Carl Peters as Mercer County NJLP Representative, pending NJLP State Committee final approval. The Mercer organization will be also become an "official" NJLP county committee upon this second vote.

A motion passed unanimously that the NJLP Steering Committee investigate the formation of a joint "Libertarian Election Committee" for Federal/State/Local NJLP candidates in compliance with all election laws. The committee will also check whether a "Nobody Election Committee" (for write-ins) and a "Vote No on Bonds" political action group could be financed by the NJLP directly.

The general meeting approved the purchase of 100 copies each of Bastiat's The Law and Weaver's The Mainspring of Human Progress for sale to NJLP members at a discount. These books will be ordered immediately so they can be available for Christmas gifts. Len Flynn and Rick Hoegberg agreed to handle the purchase and distribution of the books.

Danny Maiullo reported that Mark Rogers is handling the NJLP effort to allow voters to register as libertarians. Rick Hoegberg will do the NJLP tip cards soon. Steve Friedlander will contact Paul Nelson to retrieve the NJLP library before Paul moves to Connecticut.

The state Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) publicized the alleged failure of the Flynn for Governor campaign to comply with ELEC filing requirements. A letter from the candidate to the Commission showing full compliance was circulated for member information.

The members thanked Ginny for her campaign efforts and wearily departed at 11:35 PM.

NJLP STATE COMMITTEE MEETING

By Len Flynn

The NJLP State Committee met on October 21, 1985 at Patti's Restaurant in New Brunswick. Present were Hoegberg, L. Flynn, Swirsky, and G. Flynn (for Fallon). All other committee members were absent. Discussion began at about 7:30 PM.

Len Flynn reported that the NJLP "man in the mirror" recruiting leaflet had to be redone by the printer because of serious printing deficiencies. Rick Hoegberg promised to arrange reprinting of corrected NJLP tip cards, as was authorized at the last meeting.

Rick reported that he and Danny Maiullo might move the meeting place for the Monday libertarian discussion group to the Jade Pagoda restaurant on route 1 south in Edison. Any change in meeting location will be reported in the New Jersey Libertarian.

Acting in his capacity as acting NJLP Chairman, Rick appointed Carl Peters as Mercer County Organizer. Carl can be approved as NJLP State Committee representative from Mercer upon a vote by the NJLP membership at a general meeting and the NJLP State Committee.

Ginny Flynn reported on her campaign for Governor. The cocktail party was a success both financially for the campaign and spiritually for campaign workers morale. Attendees at the October 23 candidates' debate at Livingston College in Piscataway were solicited.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM. The next NJLP Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Monday, December 16, 1985.

MIRROR LEAFLET IS BACK!

By Len Flynn

Enclosed with this New Jersey Libertarian is the revised "Man in the Mirror" NJLP leaflet. For additional copies of this hard-hitting NJLP recruiting brochure, contact Rick Hoegberg or your local county chairman.

HEROES OF THE REVOLUTION

By Len Flynn

A continuing series dedicated to the unsung heroes of the Libertarian Revolution, people whose daily efforts swell the ranks of libertarians everywhere and assure the ultimate victory of our noble cause.

PART X--"NAZI NEIGHBORS"

Among the freedoms Americans are most accustomed to are speech, the press, and religion. Our citizens are complacent about these liberties because they seem so secure that there is little to fear from government encroachments upon them.

Reports from far away Iran on the totalitarian repression of anyone not bowing before the Ayatollah or embracing the Shiite Moslem faith may seem remote to Americans. We all have accustomed ourselves to tales of Russian or Chinese communist oppressions and their routine denial of free speech and press. But these blatant repressions are in far away lands and among peoples strange to us who might not be seen as appreciative or responsive to "western" ideas of freedom.

Alas, the flagrant denial of the fundamental freedoms is not limited to distant countries but is practiced even by America's nearest neighbors--Mexico and Canada. These two countries lack the basic commitment to individual rights which is essential to preserving citizens' liberties against government encroachments.

Mexico is notorious for its arbitrary arrests and cruel treatment of people in jails. But a more spectacular oppression occurred in the 1970s when hundreds of demonstrators in Mexico City were machine-gunned by Mexican soldiers, then the troops invaded the city's hospitals and executed the wounded! So much for political freedoms south of the border.

Religious freedoms are also seriously limited in Mexico. The Spotlight (10/21/85, p. 26) reports that Christian broadcasting was

banned in 1980 and "it is now a crime to carry an open Bible on the streets of Mexico City." In the 1920s and 30s the Catholic church was ruthlessly persecuted by the government with priests being driven into exile and even the number of priests allowed (!) being severely limited.

Canada is the closest country in the world to the U.S.A. culturally and economically. Denial of fundamental rights in that country is most educational. Canadian rulers and their agents provide valuable lessons to Americans; the officials can be "heros" by their infamies.

The Loompanics Unlimited (P.O. Box 1197; Port Townsend, WA 98368) catalog states that "we are the lunatic fringe of the libertarian movement. ... We don't care about anything except your right to find out anything you want to know." It contains books on every conceivable controversial subject. Information on murder and torture, bombs and explosives, guns, tax avoidance, self defense, fake I.D.s, and drugs can all be found in the Loompanics catalog.

In addition, the catalog warns that the company cannot be responsible for "any shipments of books seized by any governmental body." The warning continues "this applies particularly to Canada where many books are banned." (So if you want to read the six volume series How to Kill by John Minnery, do not move to Canada!)

Apparently Canadian officials prohibit the sale and possession of many "subversive" books like those sold by Loompanics, but their censorship extends to political tracts too. Two Canadian writers have recently been convicted of "willfully publishing false news" and "promoting hatred against an identifiable group" for questioning the death of 6 million Jews in World War II and putting forth the idea that there exists an international Zionist conspiracy (Spotlight, 10/28/85 p. 16). Canada now apparently bans such views and confiscates publications espousing them.

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TO THE EDITOR

Paul Jacob, convicted of failing to register with the Selective Service System, has now been confined in jail or prison for over ten weeks. Benjamin Sasway and Andy Mager have been in prison even longer. Unfortunately, Paul's appeal may take up to six months, which happens to be the length of his prison term. (Paul also has a sentence of two years community service.)

Paul's appeal should continue forward and be strongly supported. I hope everyone contributes to his defense fund. However, as Libertarians, we should not sit back for the next six months and wait for Paul's second "day in court." There should be action now.

There is a way that Paul, Ben, and Andy could be released tomorrow and that is if President Reagan pardoned them. I urge everyone to write to Reagan to free Paul, Ben, and Andy today (remember back in 1980 Reagan campaigned against the registration law?). If we're able to sway Reagan to act, it would effectively nullify the registration law and further the cause for liberty.

Ken Miller

LIBERTARIAN HOLIDAY GIFTS
AVAILABLE FROM THE NJLP

By Len Flynn

Two books from the Foundation for Economic Education (FEE) are available for purchase at a discount by NJLP members. Henry Grady Weaver's The Mainspring of Human Progress and Frederick Bastiat's The Law are for sale for \$1.00 each copy (list is \$2) with a 10% discount for 10 or more.

Both books serve as short and understandable introductions to free market economics and are particularly suitable as antidotes to the statist propaganda so prevalent in education today. Give copies to your friends and help spread the "freedom philosophy" beyond the holidays!

From a letter from prison by
Paul Jacob

Excerpts from a letter from
prison from Paul Jacob.

"We must never forget even for a moment, that regardless of the waste in government, the statistical stupidity of its programs or the theoretical immorality of its abrogation of natural rights, the real, true horror and brutality of government is the cruel, painful effect it has on individuals."

"... 'they' care everything for power and nothing for people. 'We' care ultimately nothing for power and very deeply for people."

"You, the Libertarian Party, and the Libertarian movement are the hope of freedom-loving people everywhere. You, my friends, are my hope."

HEROES...

The result of this Nazi-style control of "legal" reading matter for Canadians is in the words of attorney Douglas Christie (lawyer for one of the writers): "... insulting to the intelligence of everyone. Freedom is all that is required for the truth to prevail. ... You do not need to silence false views or opinion. You need only answer such views with the truth." But, alas, this is not true in Canada today.

By observing the (dismal) treatment of liberty by our "Nazi neighbors," our citizens might finally begin to realize how fragile liberty can be, especially when "eternal vigilance" by the public is lacking. In this way Americans may better appreciate yet another threat to our freedoms: censorship.

Next: Part XI -- "Creative Censors"

The Politics of Famine

by Murray N. Rothbard

The media focuses primarily on the horrifying shots of starving children, and secondarily on the charges and counter-charges about which governments—the Western or the Ethiopian—are responsible for relief not getting to the starving thousands on time. In the midst of the media blitz, the important and basic questions get lost in the shuffle. For example, why does Nature seem to frown only on socialist countries? If the problem is drought, why do the rains only elude countries that are socialist or heavily statist? Why does the United States never suffer from poor climate?

The root of famine lies not in the gods or in our stars but in the actions of man. Climate is not the reason that Russia before Communism was a heavy exporter of grain, while now the Soviet Union is a grain importer. Nature is not responsible for the fact that, of all the countries of East Africa, the Marxist-Leninist nations of Ethiopia and Mozambique are now the major sufferers from mass famine and starvation. Given causes yield given effects, and it is an ineluctable law of nature and of man that if agriculture is systematically crippled and exploited, food production will collapse, and famine will be the result.

The root of the problem is the Third World, where (a) agriculture is overwhelmingly the most important industry, and (b) the people are not affluent enough, in any crisis, to purchase food from abroad. Hence, to Third World people, agriculture is the most precious activity, and it becomes particularly important that it not be hobbled or discouraged in any way. Yet, wherever there is production, there are

also parasitic classes living off the producers. The Third World in our century has been the favorite arena for applied Marxism, for revolutions, coups, or domination by Marxist intellectuals. Whenever such new ruling classes have taken over, and have imposed statist or full socialist rule, the class most looted, exploited, and oppressed have been the major productive class: the farmers or peasantry. Literally tens of millions of the most productive farmers were slaughtered by the Russian and Chinese Communist regimes, and the remainder were forced off their private lands and onto co-operative or state farms, where their productivity plummeted, and food production gravely declined.

And even in those countries where land was not directly nationalized, the new burgeoning State apparatus flourished on the backs of the peasantry, by levying heavy taxes and by forcing the peasants to sell grain to the State at far below market prices. The artificially cheap food was then used to subsidize food supplies for the urban population which formed the major base of support for the new bureaucratic class. The standard paradigm in African and in Asian countries has been as follows: British, French, Portuguese, or whatever imperialism carved out artificial boundaries of what they dubbed "colonies," and established capital cities to administer and rule over the mass of the peasantry. The new class of higher and lower bureaucrats lived off the peasants by taxing them and forcing them to sell their produce artificially cheaply to the State. When the imperial powers pulled out, they turned over these new nations to the tender mercies of Marxist intellectuals, generally trained in London, Paris, or Lisbon, who imposed socialism or far greater statism, thereby aggravating the problem enormously. Furthermore, a vicious spiral was set up, similar to the one that brought the Roman Empire to its knees. The op-

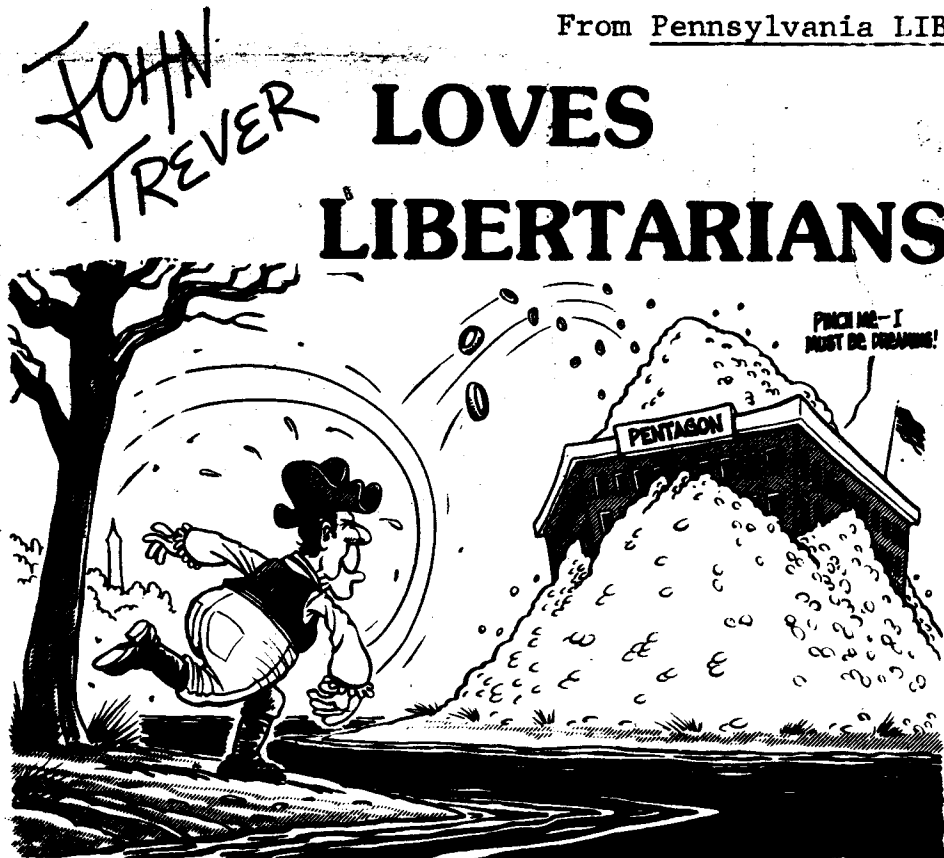
pressed and exploited peasantry, tired of being looted for the sake of the urban sector, decided to leave the farm and go sign up in the welfare state provided in the capital city. This makes the farmer's lot still worse, and hence more of them leave the farm, despite brutal measures trying to prevent them from leaving. The result of this spiral is famine.

Thus, most African governments force farmers to sell all their crops to the State at only a half or even a third of market value. Ethiopia, as a Marxist-Leninist government, also forced the farmers onto highly inefficient state farms, and tried to keep them working there by brutal oppression.

The answer to famine in Ethiopia or elsewhere is not international food relief. Since relief is invariably under the control of the recipient government, the food generally gets diverted from the farms to line the pockets of government officials and subsidize the already well-fed urban population. The answer to famine is to liberate the peasantry of the Third World from the brutality and the exploitation of the State ruling class. The answer to famine is freedom and private property.

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From Pennsylvania LIBERTY



AMERICAN FOLKLORE: RONALD REAGAN THROWS 222 BILLION DOLLARS ACROSS THE POTOMAC.

"An editorial cartoonist is like a loose cannon on a newspaper's deck - it's my job to puncture the windbags and turn over rocks to expose what's underneath."

This is how John Trever, nationally syndicated political cartoonist of the Albuquerque Journal describes what he does. Mr. Trever was a workshop speaker at the national Libertarian Party Convention held in Phoenix, August 14-18.

"In 1964, I voted for LBJ because he wouldn't get us into Vietnam... In 1968, I voted for Nixon because he wouldn't use wage and price controls... I was in Colorado in 1972 and was able to vote Libertarian, and I've been a Libertarian ever since," he explained.

"Recently the media has been accused of being biased, unpatriotic, distorting the truth and being rude to public officials," he said. "Sounds like a help wanted ad for a political cartoonist!"

Every April 15, he likes to do an anti-tax cartoon, but he really enjoys election time. "I feel like a kid in a toy store. A cartoonist in an election year is like a crocodile at feeding time."

Mr. Trever explained that he didn't draw a cartoon supporting David Bergland, the Libertarian Party candidate for president in 1984 because "cartooning is a negative medium."

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