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Mr. Schoen goes to Trenton

by John Paff

On June 18, 1991 SMAL members Howard Schoen, Randy Enterline and John Paff met with Paul Anzano, Staff Counsel for Senate President John Lynch, and George Devaney, Senate staff member of the Department of Law and Public Safety. Also at the meeting were home brewing enthusiasts Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Busch. The group traveled to Trenton in response to a Senate committee's amendments to Assembly Bill 114--a bill that would have permitted New Jersey residents to brew beer, for personal consumption, without need of permit or license.

Currently, New Jersey law (N.J.S.A. 33:1-75) requires a \$3.00 permit in order to produce wine and prohibits home-brewing of beer altogether. (That's right--home brewing of beer in New Jersey is ILLEGAL! Home-brewing is legal in every other state except for Oklahoma and Utah. It was legalized on the federal level in 1978 under the Carter administration.)

A-114 was originally introduced in 1986 by Assemblyman Arthur R. Albohn (R-Morris) in cooperation with the then Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, John F. Vassallo, Jr. Mr. Vassallo, in a 1986 letter to Albohn, stated "Instead of merely amending the statute and increasing the fee for the permit, however, it might be better to follow the lead of the Federal government and do away with the requirement of a permit. It really makes no sense to issue one. In 1984 we issued only 126 home wine permits and \$3.00 each (a total of \$378), and in 1985 it increased to only 134 permits (a total of \$402)."

Prior to the Senate committee's amendment the bill would have allowed persons age 21 or older, without license or permit, to produce up to 100 gallons of wine or beer for personal and household use. The Assembly Drug & Alcohol Abuse Policy Committee, which favorably recommended the bill to the Assembly remarked that "Since there are already a fair number of people who produce their own beer or wine largely as a hobby, this bill would authorize the home production of these beverages . . . (and) . . . would eliminate the involvement of the State in the paperwork now required for permits for home wine production . . ." The bill passed the Assembly by a 73 - 0 vote.

But the Senate Law, Public Safety and Defense Committee, acting on a recommendation of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, amended A-114 so as to allow the ABC to impose a permit requirement upon citizens who wish to make beer or wine, leaving the cost of the permit and the terms upon which they would issue to the Division's Director. SMAL members expressed their disagreement with this imposition demonstrating that other states (e.g. Maryland, North Carolina and Florida) have statutes that explicitly allow for home-brewing and home winemaking without permit and have experienced no instances of abuse.

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NOTICES

Please be aware that the date for the Annual Picnic and General Meeting has been corrected in the calendar. The correct date is Sat., 7/6.

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Passaic County has been "adopted" by the Bergen County Libertarian organization for development purposes. Libertarians in Passaic County can look forward to being contacted by a Bergen County Libertarian.

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Anzano and Devaney were generally receptive to the views presented and helped develop a procedural blue print designed to get the committee's amendments rescinded on the Senate floor. John Lynch, in a May 31 letter to Paff, agreed with SMAL's position and pledged to list A-114 for a vote in the Senate without delay.

Readers will be kept advised of SMAL's progress on this bill. Anyone wishing additional information is invited to call John Paff at 908/873-1251.

Editor of the N.J. Libertarian,

I would like to respond if I may, to Stephen Golub's letter against me and historical revisionism. I don't know if Mr. Golub is serious or attempting humor in his sarcastic epistle which appeared in the June 1991 "N.J. Libertarian". I'm not sure I grasp just what point he is trying to make. I assume he is trying to say anyone who is anti-Zionist and has been associated in any way with the Institute for Historical Review is a Nazi and a hater of all Jews. Well, let me state for the record, I am not now nor have I ever been a member of the National Socialist German Workers Party of the Ku Klux Klan (this sounds like the hearings in the 1950's!). Although I'm such a bigot about free speech, I would certainly uphold the right of any person to belong to any of the above groups, I guess after all I'm guilty!

I found it difficult to follow his logic in the American Indian/Palestinian comparison. First, it seems that because the Palestinians never had a country with a government to give out titles like president, king, prime minister, that made it OK for the Zionists to occupy their homeland in 1948 and create the State of Israel. He then lays on a guilt trip about the Indians having their land stolen, yet since the American Indians had no state with its positions and titles of power, I guess that made their dispossession OK also. You can't have it both ways Stephen!

Regarding the Institute for Historical

Review's legal dispute, it sounds like Mr. Golub got all his information from the recent Turner Network Television program starring Leonard Nimoy about the legal case of Mel Mermelstein (a former internee at Auschwitz) vs. the IHR. Space does not permit me to go into all the aspects of this case, for those interested I would suggest they write to the IHR.

All I know is the IHR is non-ideological; they have people from all across the political spectrum submit articles for publication. Libertarians might be interested to know that Samuel Konkin of "The New Libertarian", the late Percy Greaves, James J. Martin and other names familiar to us, have written articles for the IHR and serve on its advisory committee. The 1990 revisionist conference in Washington was dedicated in fact, to the late Percy Greaves. We are all intelligent adults capable of reaching our own conclusions about historical events, so with that in mind, I would urge readers to write to the Institute for Historical Review at 1822-1/2 Newport Blvd., Suite 191, Costa Mesa, CA 92627 and decide for themselves. I might add that some years ago I sent the defunct "Inquiry" a letter similar to this and more recently, one to "Liberty". Both, I regret to say, declined publication. I admire the "N.J. Libertarian's" courage in opening up its pages to both sides in this controversy.

For Liberty & Truth in History,
Mark Richards

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
June 8, 1991

Notes taken by Joan Eden, transcribed by Dan Karlan

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM. Present were Karlan, Zeldin, Stefanelli, Altman, Eden; absent were Flynn and Hinkle.

The credentials report was skipped because the 5 members present constituted a quorum. The agenda was accepted as mailed to all Steering Committee members earlier.

Altman presented an update on the Bergen Picnic project. Both the county and Hackensack rejected requests to use a public park for the social event, on various suspicious grounds. Further considerations will include conducting the event on private property, and trying to milk the suppression of expression through the press, and even talking with the ACLU about appealing the denial. Bergen LP is also thinking of expanding its scope to include the additional membership in Passaic county.

Stefanelli reported that at a recent Morris/Essex meeting, a Letter-to-the-Editor project was initiated; he read his submission, criticizing the Brady Bill using a *reductio ad absurdum* of a "Brady Bunch Bill".

Stefanelli presented his treasury and membership reports. They show the NJLP solidly liquid and with a membership base resuming its growth. The recent mailing from the Development Coordinator to 180 National LP members NOT in the NJLP has so far yielded 16 new NJLP members, raising the total NJLP membership to 212. This may be an NJLP record -- can anyone confirm this?

It was noted that this growth affects two areas: the number of signatures required to be a member of the Steering Committee by petition is now 27; and the quorum for a General Meeting is now 22.

Old business included the continuing discussion of the By-Laws modification to quorum requirements. Zeldin took the chair while Karlan presented the conclusions of the Quorum Subcommittee (Karlan, Stefanelli, and Paff). First was a motion to Recommend to the membership adoption of a By-Laws amendment changing the quorum from the current 10% to an absolute 15 delegates/members. This motion was passed unanimously. The text of the proposed By-Laws amendment should appear elsewhere in this newsletter.

The Quorum Subcommittee also considered issues relating to the definition of delegate and a Rule requiring advance notice of the State Convention agenda. After some discussion, it was decided to take no action on these items. The Chair has already requested John Paff to investigate the issue of delegate definition, including possibly requiring advance registration, but action on this issue has not proceeded to the point at which the Steering Committee can make any recommendation to the membership.

Karlan resumed the chair for the discussion of New Business. It was reported that a check to reimburse the Development Coordinator for the recent mailing has been cut. John Paff was approved as an Alternate to the Chicago Convention. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM!



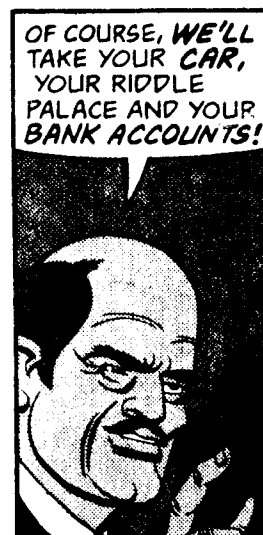
PROPOSED BY-LAWS AMENDMENT
To Be Discussed At The
July 6 Meeting

Remove Section 11b and replace it with the following sections:

11.b) A quorum for the State Convention shall be 15 delegates.

11.c) A quorum for any other General Meeting shall be 15 NJLP members.

And Re-number "11.c" to "11.d"



Did you know you were paying for this?...

LSU CAT SHOOTINGS PERMANENTLY HALTED — GAO CHARGES SLOPPY RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

Officials at the Pentagon have revealed that the controversial Army-funded cat-shooting experiments at Louisiana State University (LSU) will be permanently banned.

In the \$2.1 million experiments conducted at LSU by Michael Carey, approximately 700 cats were shot through the head in an attempt to simulate bullet wounds. In a report released on December 14, the U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) characterized the experiments' results as unreliable due to sloppy research techniques. The Pentagon has not yet made its formal announcement canceling the experiments but has leaked its decision to several congressional offices.

When the LSU reports were published, many animals were excluded from the final results because they could not provide usable data. According to the GAO report, "one anesthesiologist commented that it is difficult to have confidence in the reported results when so many animals have been excluded with no explanation as to the effect that data for them would have on the results."

Other criticisms were also raised. Although the cats were anesthetized while being shot, they were revived and studied without the proper use of pain-killers. One LSU employee in an adjacent room complained that she could not see her patients there because the cats' crying was so disturbing.

The major conclusion drawn from this experiment is that cats shot through the head stop breathing and need to be resuscitated. This well-known fact was published as long ago as 1894 by researcher Victor Horsley in the British journal, *Nature*. The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM) is calling for an end to the all use of animals in military research. "We cannot recover the millions of dollars spent on this ugly experiment, nor can the animals be brought back to life. We can, however, see to it that such wasteful experiments never happen again," said PCRM President, Neal D. Barnard, M.D. "This case is just one of many indicating that the military is incapable of adequately overseeing its research." The LSU experiments demonstrated not only a phenomenal disregard for animal welfare and a willingness in the Dept. of Defense to invest large amounts of money on unproductive research. They also showed that the federal government still lacks sufficient controls to curb even the most blatant abuses.

HIT: The Somerville Borough Council has done what few governments do — cut red tape. Last week the Borough Council decided that Somerville did not need a new ordinance to regulate sidewalk cafes. Instead, restaurants can simply apply for approval from the Planning Board before setting up tables on the sidewalk. That's another example of how the Borough Council can help private businesses in the continued revitalization of Main Street.

The Progressives did not hesitate to name the model of their action. The model was the mother country of the leading Progressive state, Wisconsin. Wisconsin was described at the time as being "fundamentally a German state," which was "doing for America what Germany is doing for the world."

Most people regard the social system under which they live as a given not open to question or challenge. Then, unwittingly, step by step, they carry the system to its logical conclusion—which they regard as a product not of abstract theory, but of practical necessity.

Leonard Peikoff
The Ominous Parallels

On June 15, the NJLP set up a table at a "Dump Florio" rally at the New Brunswick train station. The rally was sponsored by Hands Across N.J. Editor Claudia Montelione and Assistant Francesca Montelione manage the literature.



CALENDAR

6/29 - Nat'l Organ. for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) holds Gen'l Chapter Meeting at the Holiday Inn Exit 8A off the NJ Turnpike at 1PM. Call 908/968-8226 or 609/784-3696 for more info.

7/3 - NORML Freedom Rally at Independence Hall, 6th & Chestnut Sts., Phila., 7PM. Protest the demise of freedom in the guise of a war on drugs. Candlelight vigil & a moment of silent prayer for the Bill of Rights at dusk.

7/6 - Picnic & Gen'l Meeting at the Flynn's in Morganville, 908/591-1328. Swimming Pool, Basketball, Frisbee, Darts, Softball, Horseshoes, Hiking, Volleyball, Target practice, Relaxation, etc. Bring whatever to grill for yourself plus a dish to share. Lawn chairs would be helpful. Grills, munchies, charcoal, soda & ice will be provided.

7/14 - NJLP sponsors fundraiser for NJ-NORML, 7-11PM at The Feedbag, Broad St. & Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield, 201/743-7208. Open contribution at the door. For more info., call Lee Altman 201/265-6249.

7/28 - Somerset/Middlesex Area Libertarians (SMAL) meet at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1640 Amwell Rd., Somerset at 7:30 PM on the 4th Mon. of the month. Call Howard Schoen 908/572-0207 or John Paff 908/873-1251 for details.

8/2 - Libertarians of Monmouth County meet 7:30 PM at Coffee Shop on the Square West, 37 W. Main St., Freehold. Bob Jenkins of the Constitutionists will speak on "Going into Court Pro Se" & "Challenging the Law" Call 908/938-2784 for more info.

8/15-18 - Ron Paul's Bretton Woods II, Bretton Woods, N.H. Call 713/333-4888 for info.

Morris-Essex Libertarians meet the last Tuesday of the month at Jonathan Shanoian's, 86 Beaverbrook Rd., Lincoln Park at 8PM. Call 201/694-0664 for details.

Mercer County Libertarians meet on the last Sunday of each month at 7PM. Call Carl Peters for info. 609/737-7667.

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Beware the UN

New world order.

I am sure everyone has heard these buzz words quite frequently the last few months. Let's look at what these words mean. President Bush has said in speeches for a new world order that we are in the Persian Gulf for: A. Humanitarian reasons. B. Oil. C. To free a "Democratic" nation (controlled by an emir) D. (Baker's) Jobs.

It seem they can't make up their mind why we are there. Now since we have done our good deed and saved the president's oil interests in Kuwait where is the humanitarian new world order that is allowing the Kurds to be slaughtered by the tens of thousands? Could it be that the Kurds don't have vast oil reserves that could make our petro-industry richer?

Look at Department of State publication 7277, Disarmament Series 5, released September 1961.

This document explains why we should disarm the world to make a peaceful world through an organization called the United Nations. Again our new world order at work. The publication starts out saying there must be immediate disarmament action. Armament is to be destroyed by all nations in a timely and specific order. Remember SALT and START? Communist USSR never lived up to any of these agreements and in the last go-round moved 10,000 tanks eastward over the mountains so that they would not be counted in the limitations. The Communists have never told the truth or acted in any truthful manner in any of the dealings that we have had with them so why should we think that if we disarm our nation that they will do the same?

Doesn't the prospect of disarming our nation and building up a UN force (to keep the peace) controlled by communists frighten you? This is a recipe for a one-world government. By signing the UN treaty we have already given the UN control of our constitutional government. The day we disarm, the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights will be history.

We have not won any wars since we have been fighting under the UN flag — Korea, Vietnam, and the Persian Gulf. We may have won the battles but we haven't won the war on peace. What is it costing the Iraqi people that we encouraged to overthrow Saddam?

Let's get the US out of the UN and get the UN out of the US. The U.S. military was established to protect our borders. Why are half a million troops in the Persian Gulf meddling in other countries' affairs? Let's bring all troops home and take care of this great "Republic" before it is too late.

Don Jamison
Freehold



Florio's game plan

I would like to take this opportunity to warn the people of New Jersey to beware. Because if you are going to buy the story and happenstance that our illustrious governor is selling you, then shame on you.

Let's look at what is happening. Mr. Florio won the election on the promise that there was no need for any more taxes. Then he wakes up one morning and decides we have a \$600 million deficit. Well, OK, this is plausible. But, why do we need a \$2.8 billion tax increase to fix a \$600 million deficit? This is approximately a 470 percent fix to balance the budget. Now we are told we still have about an \$800 million deficit. If we take the difference in the two deficit figures and add it to the increase we come up with a \$3 billion difference between where we started and balancing the budget.

In addition to this folly we are hit with a 70 percent increase for cars and 100 percent increase

for trucks on the turnpike, now this is a heck of a lot of money. Where is it going?

Here is what is going to happen. There is a lot of money building up in the coffers of the state. As the time rolls along toward the next big election guess who is going to be up for election? You guessed it. We are starting to see little tidbits coming back in the form of homestead rebates. We will start seeing more little tidbits in the form of appeasements for the people but don't buy it. Don't be lulled by the smooth talk and little bits that fall our way when the time is right. None of this will equal the \$3 billion plus that it is going to cost us.

This is not all the costs we are suffering. Florio drove the trucking industry out of the state and is driving more businesses out with taxes and regulations. How many of you have lost your job, home, car? What else has it cost you during the last year? What will it cost you during the next year?

The sad thing is, this is only part of our plight.

Don Jamison
Freehold

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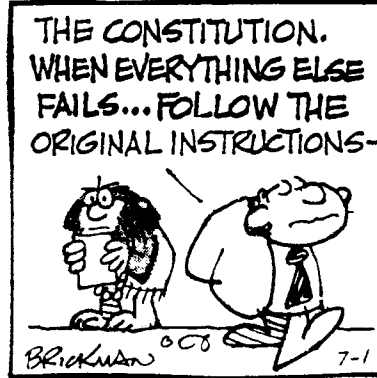
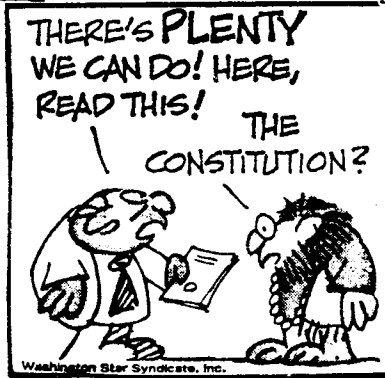
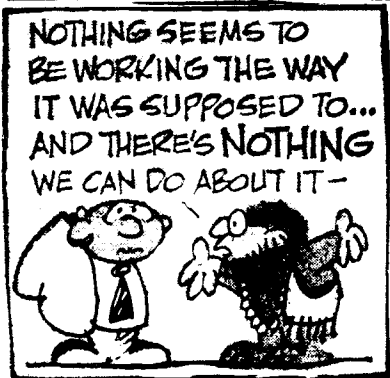
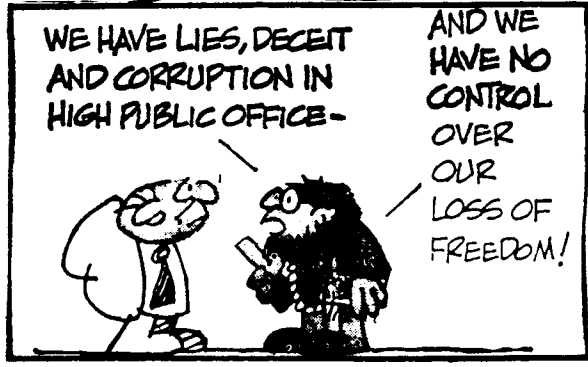
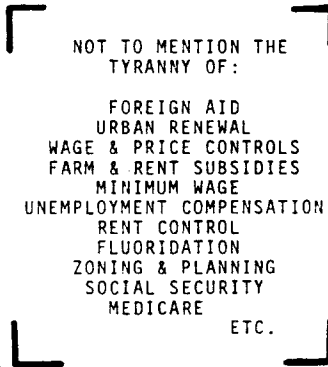
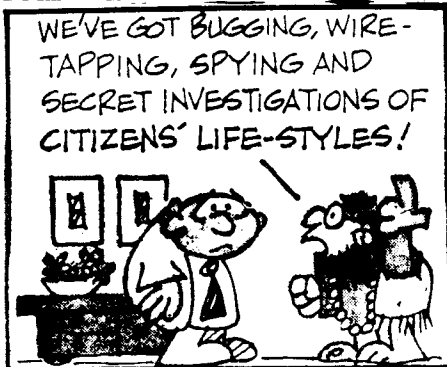
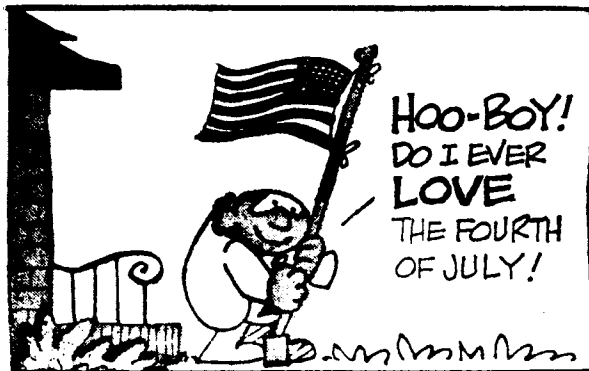
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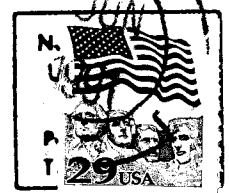
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