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Robert LeFevre Set for Dinner/Speech on Feb. 22

The next dinner/speech will be honored by the presence of Robert LeFevre on February 22 (Sunday) at Kessabella Smorgasbord at 8874 Valley View in Buena Park at 6:30 pm. Price is \$6.50 each. Call Sandy at Athena Typesetting (714) 979-5737 for reservations.

Kessabella Smorgasbord is near Lincoln and Valley View and has roast beef, barbecue ribs, Virginia ham, four other entrees, and 20 salads, vegetables and fruit dishes.

Robert LeFevre is well-known as a major libertarian leader and philosopher on the West coast. He has an extensive career in both broadcasting and journalism. In 1956 he founded the famous Freedom School in Colorado Springs and later moved to Santa Ana, California and renamed his school Rampart College. Rampart College, under the leadership of Sy Leon, ended in 1975.

LeFevre is the author of *This Bread is Mine*, *The Nature of Man and His Government*, *The Philosophy of Ownership*, *Lift Her Up Tenderly*, and two booklets published by SLL, *Good Government. Hope or Illusion?* and *Does Government Protection Protect?*

Currently, LeFevre writes a Sunday newspaper column for the Freedom Newspaper chain (*The Register*) and is a director to the new Rampart Institute.

Title is *What is Liberty?* The Speech will be from prepared text for 15-20 minutes and then a dialogue with the audience will begin. Dinner starts at 6:30 pm. and program at 7:30 pm. For program only, cost \$3.50. Other no. to call Res. (714) 535-5798.



Robert LeFevre

Mini-Convention Update

Some positions are still open for the *Reaffirming Liberty, 1981* Mini-Convention of SLL which will be held adjacent to the Future of Freedom Conference at Cal State Univ., Long Beach. This is the first convention of SLL to allow members and chapters to have a voice in the organization. Forms will be provided on request. Write to Future of Freedom Conf., Box 4, Fullerton, CA 92632.

Robert LeFevre will give a short introduction and Jack Matonis will conduct the election for leadership positions. All positions are open. The mini-convention will last two hours from 11:00 am. to 1:00 pm. on Saturday, May 9.

Ed Clark Receives 1.2 Percent of Election Vote

Libertarian Party presidential candidate, Ed Clark, received 910,000 votes in the 1980 election, which is 1.2 percent of the votes cast. The Libertarian Party (LP) was predicting around five percent before John Anderson entered the race as an independent. Despite the disappointing vote, the LP did manage to win a few vic-

tories, mostly in Alaska.

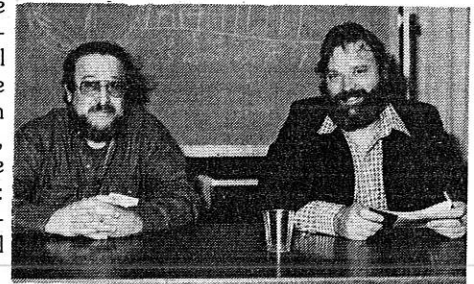
Dick Randolph won re-election to the State Assembly in Alaska with 48 percent of the vote, and received more votes than any other candidate in Alaskan history. Ken Fanning, a professional guide, hunter and trapper was elected to the Alaskan Assembly as a libertarian with 42.1 of the vote. Another Alaskan, Stan Thompson, was elected mayor of Kenai Borough, which has a population of 26,000. Thompson, who received 64 percent of the vote, was mayor of Kenai Borough five years ago, but not as a libertarian. Also, it should be noted that Clark and his vice-presidential candidate, David Koch, gathered 11.2 percent of the vote in Alaska and up to 21 percent in parts of Fairbanks.

There was one victory of sorts in California. Mary Shell was elected to mayor of Bakersfield, Calif. A journalist with a column in the local Bakersfield newspaper, Shell discovered libertarianism while researching the positions of candidates for governor in 1978. Shell found Clark's positions exciting and soon re-registered as a member of the LP. However, Shell, who ran in a non-partisan race, is someone who could hurt the name of libertarianism. According to *Frontlines*, Mary Shell favors laws that make the possession of marijuana illegal, supports strong local government and tax-supported parks.

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Future of Freedom Set for May 8-10, '81

The ninth Future of Freedom Conference, which will be held at Cal State Univ., Long Beach on May 8, 9 & 10, will have three keynote speakers: Timothy Leary, Irwin Schiff and Karl Hess.



Karl Hess and Jack Matonis at 1980 conference.

Dr. Timothy Leary is well known as the controversial Harvard professor who experimented with LSD. Irwin Schiff is the foremost tax rebel in the nation and author of *The Biggest Con*, who will soon have his refusal-to-pay-income-tax case heard in the U.S. Supreme Court. Karl Hess, who attended last years conference, is author of *Dear America*, and wrote speeches for former President Nixon, Ford and Senator Goldwater before he turned New Left decentralist in the late 1960's.

Other speakers confirmed are Robert LeFevre, John Hospers and George Smith who will do a speech panel together on *Liberty and Justice in a Free Society*; David Friedman, Lowell Ponte and Samuel Konkin III on a speech panel concerning foreign policy and defense; Jack Matonis, Robert Poole, Frank Fortkamp, Allan Harrison, George Smith, Carl Nicolai, Lee and Joyce Shulman and a speech panel called *Looking at Government From The Inside* by Long Beach Assemblyman Dennis Brown and San Diego City Councilman Fred Schnaubelt.

Workshop speakers so far include: Spencer MacCallum, Justin Raimondo,



Timothy Leary

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Alan Bock, David Bergland, Linda Abrams, Bob McGinley, Charles Curly, Thomas Hazlett, Carolina Roper-Deyo and others.

Friday Night Banquet

The Banquet theme is "A Tribute to the Early Years, with Special Recognition to Prof. John Hospers." Robert Poole, Shawn Steel, Bill Susel and others will be at the head table with Prof. Hospers.

Saturday Night Party

It is billed as an evening with radio personality Dr. Demento, who will play his wacky, crazy and sometimes banned records with an anti-statist/libertarian theme. Later, folk songs and music will be performed by Frank Gasperik. Beer and soft drinks will be provided. Should be a great evening.

Conference Tickets

Tickets may be purchased now to save money. There are three price breaks by time--received before April 15, before May 1, and after May 1.

Two-Day Tickets:

Students:\$15/\$22/\$25
Non-Students:\$25/\$30/\$35

One Day Tickets:

Students:\$10/\$12/\$15
Non-Students:\$15/\$17.50/\$20

Banquet: (Deadline--May 6 at 12 noon)\$14/\$15.50/\$17

Saturday Night Party:\$4/\$5.50/\$7

For further information write to Future of Freedom Conference, P.O. Box 4, Fullerton, CA 92632 or call Athena Typesetting in Orange County at (714) 979-3138, in Los Angeles (213) 869-6051, in San Diego (714) 479-3342.

SLL Continues Protest Against Draft Registration

Eager to start the new year on the right foot, SLL members protested in front of the main Post Office in Santa Ana on Jan. 5, the first day of draft registration for 18-year-olds. Handing out anti-draft material, SLL leaders Ken Gregg, Barry Turnbull, Al Jackman, Lawrence Samuels and a SLL member from Australia were interviewed by KEZY and ABC-TV.

Ken Gregg told the press that he only observed four or five 18-year-olds enter the Post Office to register by 12 noon on the first day of registration. While ABC was filming interviews, several old veterans confronted SLL members and complained that anti-draft protesters were either Un-American or ignorant. One veteran cited Switzerland as a good example of a country since they have mandatory military service. Another veteran rambled about World War I and II, saying that if it were not for the draft, we would not have won those important wars, as if the United States made tremendous gains from those wars.

It was pointed out to the veterans that there was no draft during the Revolutionary War, that George Washington warned about the dangers of entangling alliances with other nations, and that the US had no foreign policy for 140 years. Still, they were not impressed.

Unfortunately, some anti-draft coalitions allow Marxist groups to participate in their demonstrations, giving the appearance that all draft protesters are Marxist. This is not true, especially when one realizes that extreme leftists favor the draft. When Marxists demonstrate against the draft, they are opposing the military buildup of the United States, not the involuntary nature of forcing men into the military. All Marxist States have conscription to protect the interests of the government, and in fact, the Marxist state could not survive without an armed force to prevent citizens from escaping their tyranny.

Small Core of Libertarians in Reagan Administration

There is a small core of moderate libertarians in the administration of President Reagan, according to Dana Rohrabacher and

Shawn Steel, two early libertarian leaders in the late 1960's. The two libertarian leaders further stated that Martin Anderson, the domestic economic advisor to Reagan, is a libertarian sympathizer. Others, such as Prof. Laffer of the "Laffer Curve," are considered part of this libertarian minority in Reagan's administration. In fact, both liberals in the media and conservative organizations such as the Moral Majority have attacked this small group of libertarians in recent months.

Rohrabacher, who was a leading libertarian student activist ten years ago, worked for Reagan as his Assistant Press Secretary in the 1980 presidential campaign and will have a position in that administration. Despite Rohrabacher's apparent retreat from libertarianism, it must be noted that Rohrabacher's motives are to give libertarians an open line to the President and present him with libertarian alternatives (for instance, Dana informed the President of the worsening situation in the New Hebrides). Many libertarians do not go along with Rohrabacher's method, but at least we should watch and wait and see what happens.

Update on New Hebrides

Amnesty International has received reports of widespread arrests of Francophone Melanesians on the islands of Espiritu Santo, Malo, Tana and Malekula, which form part of the state of Vanuatu formerly known as the New Hebrides. The arrests have been taking place continuously since the suppression of the secessionist Vemarana movement in August 1980. According to reports, the militia have been arbitrarily arresting French-speaking Melanesians including some who were not involved in the revolt. Approximately 1,000 people have been arrested since August.

Amnesty International is requesting that concerned people write to Father Walter Lini, Prime Minister, Port Vila, Efrate, Vanuatu (formerly New Hebrides) and urge that concern be expressed at reports of arbitrary detentions and ill-treatment. Also Amnesty International urge people to send telegrams.

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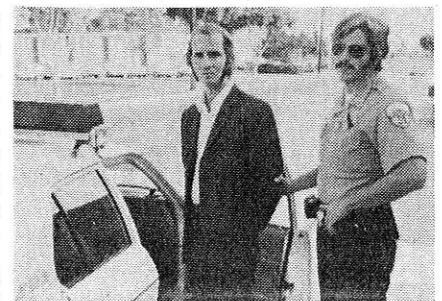
In California, six LP candidates received over 10 percent of the vote: Kevin Dye with 15 percent, Eric Garris with 15 percent, Al Heitzmann with 19 percent, Jeff Leibling with 14 percent, Carl Swinney with 10 percent and Roberta Rinehart with 17 percent.

Roberta Rinehart's campaign was perhaps the most crazy Assembly race in California. Located in Orange County, Rinehart's main rival in the district was John Lewis, a Republican who until last year was a registered Libertarian. Rinehart, who spent around \$70,000 on the campaign, had been a life-long registered Republican until recently. The Democrat, who was receiving little media attention or money, announced before the election that he was seriously considering re-registering Republican. It could only happen in Orange County.

The Libertarian Party has come a long way since 1976 when their presidential candidate, Roger MacBride, gathered almost 200,000 votes. But real progress in liberty does not come from the political arena. Rather, progress comes from production, technology and education. People must live a libertarian lifestyle, instead of considering themselves libertarian simply because they voted Libertarian in the last election.

SLL Frontlines

Anthony Hargis, an SLL advisor, was recently jailed while inquiring about an overdue business loan payment...Janice Allen (pro) and Doris Gordon (con) have agreed to do the pro and con position paper on abortion. SLL has new edition of SLL's catalog out.



Anthony Hargis in custody.

IRS Abuses Cited in Saturday Review Story

By Lawrence Samuels

"It is a land ruled by Draconian laws. There people are guilty until proven innocent. Even when you've done nothing wrong, it is wiser to confess and pay a larger fine than to hire a lawyer to establish you innocence. Agents of the regime routinely seize homes, businesses, cars, bank accounts--even before the victims are told what they have been accused of."

Above is the beginning paragraph of a surprisingly good story in *Saturday Review* (May, 1980) on the Internal Revenue Service. It is more than interesting to see an established East Coast journal tackle the IRS with brutal facts. Most publication wish to ignore the Gestapo-like practices of the IRS because of two reasons: the publications policy is supportive of tax-collecting for all forms of government programs or the publication wishes to avoid an IRS audit. But *Saturday Review* charged into the IRS like a mad bull.

Here are some of the interesting facts brought out by the author, Blake Fleetwood, in *The Tax Police*. "Last summer, for example, two IRS agents put on a brutal display in full view of dozens of onlookers and news photographers. While Stephen and Mona Oliver sat in their Volkswagen, the agents smashed in the car windows and dragged the couple over the broken glass, leaving them bruised and bloody. A tow truck hauled their car away. The IRS assessed them \$4,700 for their 1977 taxes without giving a reason and moved immediately to seize their car."

IRS is Called "Out of Control"

The article continues to explain that the "IRS monster" is out of control and that attempts to curb the agency has failed. In the mid 1960's Senator Edward V. Long (D-Mo.) conducted a three-year investigation of the IRS. His report from the Senate subcommittee told of IRS defiance of court orders, that the agency picked locks, stole records, illegally tapped phones, opened mail and that "much of this lawlessness was encouraged by highly placed Washington officials."

Somehow, months before the 1968 elections, Ed Long's tax returns were leaked to *Life* magazine. Many irregularities were suggested, but despite a clean bill from a Senate subcommittee, Long lost a reelection bid to Thomas Eagleton.

Another Senator was foolish enough to probe into the IRS in 1972. The Senator, Joseph Montoya (D-N.M.), however, was not up for reelection until 1976. During investigation into IRS abuses, the IRS publicly announced that Senator Montoya's tax records were in good order. But months before Montoya's reelection campaign in 1976, the IRS leaked stories that "Montoya was being shielded from an audit by the IRS commissioner." The information somehow found its way into Jack Anderson's newspaper column, and Montoya lost the election. However, after the election, no tax irregularities were found after an audit.

A more chilling example of IRS tactics was that of Barbara Hutchinson, who publicly denounced the IRS. "In 1974, one day before Barbara Hutchinson...was due to appear before [Montoya's] subcommittee, he was visited by tax agents. They informed him that Mrs. Hutchinson was unfit to testify because she was under psychiatric treatment. This was untrue. She had never undergone psychiatric treatment--not, that is, until after she testified before Montoya that the IRS used mental hospitals to repress dissent. Shortly after her appearance, she was convicted of omitting the signature of a tax expert on her return, despite the fact that her attorney had signed it, and was hauled away for a 90-day psychiatric evaluation." With the help of two U.S. Senators, Hutchinson was later released.

More IRS Intimidations

Fleetwood's article also reported on the intimidation used against the media. *Playboy* magazine did a biting article on IRS abuses and tactics and was soon hit with an assessment of \$7.7 million in 1976. Two weeks after ABC aired a special investigation of the IRS in 1975, Paul Altmeyer, the documentary's writer, was

assessed for \$2,125.09. Later it was reduced to \$51.47. However, Altmeyer discovered, under the Freedom of Information Act, that the IRS had compiled an almost 100 page report on him after the documentary was aired.

Other examples abound. An accountant in Chicago, Howard MacNeil, was assessed \$36,000 personally for taxes of a corporation the he had no relationship to except as a client. MacNeil fought the assessment and the IRS, "without any court proceeding, attached his bank account and posted signs around his house proclaiming *KEEP OUT--Property of the U. S. Government.*" MacNeil went into debt, lost his business and waited years before being completely vindicated at his trial.

Unfortunately, the article does not discuss if taxation is immoral or if there are alternatives to this form of theft. But once the citizenry understands that thugs operate governmental agencies, they should next consider the real meaning of coercion.

Government School Bribes Students to Attend School

To libertarians, the government school system has been more than a failure. It has been the epitome of everything wrong with a statist culture. Not only do libertarians see poor management in the school system, but also a failing system in which students do not want to learn or attend although forced attendance is required by the government.

But the government school system, at least one in San Diego, California at Memorial Junior High School, has developed a new approach to prevent high truancy. Principal Bob Amparan started a program in September of 1980 which pays each student 25 cents per day to show up. In other words, the government is bribing students to attend class. The taxpayer is getting stung twice. First the parent is forced to pay for state education, and then stuck with the bill to pay students to attend. Is this education or a circus act?

Amparan was able to talk the district's trustees into \$10,000 needed for the program. The reason was clear. In the school year 1979-80, truancy at Memorial averaged 9 percent which resulted in a loss of \$132,000 in state attendance funds.

It appears that government will stop at nothing to show that students are sitting in their chairs, and giving the appearance that someone is being educated. Oh, the wonders of state education.

Material from *Associated Press* by Dan Tedrick, Jan. 10, 1981.

Notes From The Chair

At a recent meeting of the SLL Executive Board, a plan by the Orange County Transportation Commission was discussed. Their scheme would involve increasing local sales and gasoline taxes, along with local vehicle registration fees. Much of the money would go to a "rapid" transit system. The Board unanimously voted their opposition to the plan.

We are now seeking writings which explore private, free market approaches to transportation. Currently, we publish "What About the Roads?" by Jim Gallagher. We plan to publish a paper by Roy Begley on private jitneys. If you have or know of something suitable, please let us know.

I read several fine books in the past few months. Two were science fiction novels; *Alongside Night*, by J. Neil Schulman (Crown, available through SLL), and *Starship Women*, by Victor Koman, a hardcore yet individualist novel (Hustler Paperbacks). Also crossing my desk were *Cutting Back City Hall*, by Reason editor Bob Poole (Universe), a practical and pleasing book; and the complete set of Cato Institute monographs and reprints of "classic" libertarian papers. It was a great pleasure to receive these, and my personal thanks to Bob Formaini.

As you may know, SLL is currently organized as a club through CSU, Fullerton. For various reasons, we are interested in establishing ourselves on an independent basis. At the moment, the leading options are either a nonprofit association or corporation. At the same time, there would be the opportunity to effect a name change, if this was desired. Your insights are welcomed.

Our search continues for suitable writings to print. We received several responses to our abortion paper (con position) request. Therefore, we seek various views on the following topics: government, national or regional defense; and as mentioned earlier, various writings on transportation. I hope the controversial nature of at least two of these topics will serve to encourage your efforts.

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LR's Believe It Or Not

WASHINGTON (AP) "For 25 years the government permitted haphazard ocean dumping of deadly nuclear waste and doesn't know now what threat the practice poses to marine and human life, a California congressman said Thursday.

"Rep. Glenn M. Anderson, D-Calif. said any one of the disposal sites could be a potential 'marine Love Canal.' The canal is an industrial dumping site in upstate New York where pollution-caused disease has forced evacuation of residents."

Rep. Anderson further stated that "federal regulation of nuclear waste dumping in the ocean was so lax that in 1960 the Navy shot holes in waste containers about 50 miles off the coast of San Francisco to make them sink if they stayed afloat."

Associated Press Nov. 21, 1980

U.S. Supreme Court Justice William Rehnquist says America could find itself in the midst of another civil war if government regulation of private lives isn't slowed. "If we...force people by law to do what we would like to see them do voluntarily," Rehnquist told the Vanderbilt University Law School in Nashville, "we run the risk of another crisis in our society, equivalent to the days of the New Deal or even of the Civil War."

The Register, Nov. 20, 1980

CANBY, Ore. (AP) - "The Internal Revenue Service has changed its mind and won't audit the 1979 tax returns of 17-year-old Don Pierce, who earned less than \$2,000 as a grocery boy last year.

"The IRS had told Pierce an investigator would come to his parents' home Tuesday to audit the returns which consist of two W-2 forms attached to a short form return."

Apparently, national publicity and protest caused the IRS to drop the audit.

Associated Press Nov. 19, 1980

Calendar of Events

Feb. 13-16 is the Libertarian Party of California Convention in San Diego at Kona Kai Club. Info (714) 223-3313.

Feb. 22 (Sunday) is a dinner/speech by Robert LeFevre at Kessabella Smorgasbord (see story on front page).

NOTE: Presently, there are four Libertarian Supper Clubs in the greater Los Angeles area: The Los Angeles one is operated by Clarke Bell, Box 557, Inglewood, CA 90307 (213) 937-8886; South Bay area operated by Ann Jackson, 6061 Lime Ave. No. 1, Long Beach, CA 90805 (213) 428-1866; Pasadena area operated by Bob Glassco, 804 Linda Vista Ave., Pasadena 91103 (213) 795-7642 and Orange County area operated by Jack Dean at 17177 Brookhurst, Fountain Valley, CA 92708, phone (714) 975-1191. Also, there is a supper club in San Diego called Libertarian Alternative operated by Sara Baase at Box 15011, San Diego 92115 (714) 460-9136.

SLL Offers Part-Time Job

Society for Libertarian Life is looking for someone to fill orders from SLL's educational catalog on a part time basis as a sub-contractor. Currently, SLL pays a certain percentage of money for order received and filled. Inquiries should be mailed to the attention of Lawrence Samuels, P.O. Box 4, Fullerton, CA 92632 or call Athena Typesetting (714) 979-5737. Person should live in or near Orange County, California.

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I realize that not all of us are writers. Further, as the "movement" becomes larger, I can read a smaller and smaller percentage of those things published. So I would appreciate if you would watch out for and inform us of suitable works that SLL might obtain permission to reprint.

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The Libertas Statement

We, as libertarians, affirm:

That full individual liberty is impossible in any society other than a voluntary one that aggresses upon no one;

That men and women require the full and independent use of their own judgement in order to survive at an optimum level, and therefore have a natural right to do their own thing, providing that they do not physically harm or coercively restrict another individual's life, liberty or property;

That everyone is exclusively sovereign, and is a slave to no one;

That the individual is best served by society when he or she is free from the forcefully imposed controls of others, acting alone or in concert (as a government);

That all forms of coercion, aggression and fraud are always immoral;

That the only system consistent with personal freedoms in the economic area is one that does not interfere with free trade between consenting individuals;

THEREFORE, we as libertarians, resolve to oppose all forms of aggression by any State, Government, self-appointed savior, individual or association of individuals. We further resolve to oppose taxation, conscription, eminent domain, laws which create victimless "crimes," and all programs forced onto individuals without their consent. It is time that the chains of authoritarianism in economics and morality be broken. Individual rights and coercion cannot co-exist. Liberty cannot be compromised, and we will settle for no less than *freedom in our time.*

May 5, 1973