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ANTI-DRAFT RALLY AT CSUF & ACROSS NATION



Photo by Charles Starr, Daily Titan

CSUF Students Burning Draft Cards At Rally

Thousands of students across the nation on May 1 protested Congressional moves to reinstate the draft. Locally, three campuses in Orange County held demonstrations (CSUF, Orange Coast College and Chapman College). The most publicized anti-draft rally occurred at California State University, Fullerton (CSUF) at 12 noon. The rally included a rock band (*The Horizon Street Band*) and six anti-draft speakers. The speakers included Lawrence Samuels, national chair of SLL, Janice Allen, a leader of the Association of Libertarian Feminists; Jack High, an economics instructor at CSUF; Kenneth Gregg, Jr., a libertarian historian, Howard Hinman, CSUF chair of SLL and Dan Mahaffey, a representative of the California Libertarian Party.

Around 150 people attended the rally at which Lawrence Samuels burned his draft card in front of the Commons. After Samuels lit his draft card about a dozen other students in the crowd began to burn their draft cards. Ken Gregg, who burned a dummy draft card said, "I feel a sense of deja vu. It was almost 10 years ago that I burned my first draft card on this campus."

The media turned out in force to cover the anti-draft rally. NBC, CBS and KNX radio, along with countless newspapers covered the event. Most newspapers gave front continued on page 2



The Horizon Street Band

Photo by John Yench

A DAY WITH ROTHBARD [July 14]

Prof. Murray Rothbard, author and well-known libertarian theorist, will spend Bastille Day (July 14) at 1906 Irvine Blvd. in Newport Beach starting at 12 noon to midnight. Cost is \$10 per person and reservations must be made by July 9. Food, drink and entertainment will be provided along with a pool for swimming. *A Day With Rothbard* is being sponsored by the Orange County Libertarian Supper Club and SLL. Call Jack for res. at (714) 975-1191.



Prof. Murray Rothbard

BEACH PARTY IN AUGUST

An old-fashioned day at the beach will be held at Jim Gallagher's residence (16631-A Pacific Ave. in Sunset Beach off of 19th street). Food, drink and volley ball will be provided on the beach. Cost is \$5 per person. Date is Saturday, August 18 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. More info. call Jim at (213) 592-2109.

Make reservations by 12 noon, August 17 (children under 12 no charge).

PHIL OSBORN SPEAKS "Children & Libertarianism"

Phil Osborn will give a lecture on children, rights and libertarianism on August 10 (Fri.) at 7:30 pm. at the Laguna Federal Savings & Loan on the corner of Tustin and Heim in the city of Orange. Admission--no charge.

Osborn, a graduate of the University of Georgia (BS in physics, will deal with a new, controversial definition of the origins of human rights, whether children and higher animal life possess them, and when do the young possess full individual rights?

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SLL BOOTH AT ORANGE COUNTY FAIR

A booth sponsored by SLL will be seen at the Orange County Fair in Costa Mesa from July 13 to July 22. We need people to man this booth. Call Howard at [714] 535-5798.

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page coverage along with a photograph.

The media was sympathetic, especially CBS. However, one station, KOCE-TV, called the organizers of the anti-draft rally "reactionaries." The commentator also said that the libertarian demonstrators agreed with the Left on everything, but for opposite reasons.

Lawrence Samuels, chair of SLL, is burning his draft card at the CSUF rally. The photo on the right was published on the front page of The Register.

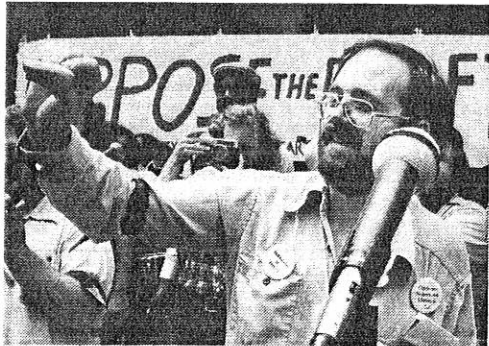


Photo by Clay Miller

LeFEVRE TAKES NON-INTERVENTIONIST STAND

By Barry Turnbull



"In order to have government, you must have the approval of the very people government is going to injure," said noted libertarian Robert LeFevre in his recent lecture at Santa Ana College. "What our government tells you is, it's a lot better to be shafted by Americans than by Russians."

Addressing around 100 people, LeFevre's topic was "Does National Defense Defend Anybody?"

The session lasted more than three hours, during which time LeFevre touched upon a variety of issues. Ranging from national defense to the international monetary situation, LeFevre defined government as "an abstract idea, from an obsolescent philosophy, something necessary maybe 10,000 years ago, but certainly not today."

Outlining government and national defense, LeFevre named four essential prerequisites that any government must meet.

1) There must be one ruler. "Government must always have a peak," he said.

2) There must be, in essence, sanction from the victim, i.e. the ruled. Discussing America/Soviet relations and, more specifically, Carter/Brezhnev relations, LeFevre quipped, "the two leaders need each other desperately. They need somebody outside the country to scare the pants off their people. That is sanction of the victim."

3) There must be a point of contact between the rulers and the ruled--that is, government is perceived to provide services (such as national defense) that no one else could supply.

4) Finally, LeFevre suggested that a powerful, non-producing elite must be established and held in place.

LeFevre spent considerable amount of time comparing the way nations conduct their business, and the kinds of national defense problems certain countries have. "Look at Switzerland," he said. "The Swiss have free trade. They aren't concerned with the politics of other nations--the Swiss operate as if they were a country store. They didn't try to straighten the Nazis out--they just tried to deal with them as if in the marketplace."

UNDERSTANDING THE FREE MARKETPLACE

By Lawrence Samuels

There is more to liberty than anti-draft demonstrations and marches, and this is to understand economic liberties of the free market--libertarian style.

In the first place, libertarians want to separate the business community from government. Like the separation of Church and State, libertarians seek to halt businessmen and corporations from employing the coercive authority to damage consumers and competitors. Generally, people on the left oppose such a separation and try instead to regulate the business community, which, in return, forces businessmen to attempt to control the government--which they usually do. The best approach is the non-interventionist approach.

It makes sense. The less government gives less opportunity for the business community to control the government, which, in return, controls the people.

The basic idea behind free market principles is that it is the "consenting" consumer who should make the decision in the marketplace. Government, when brought into economics, acts like a middleman and tries to control every aspect of trading. The result is often tragic. Since government tries to decide what consumers want and what they will pay, shortages and higher prices (money devaluates as the money supply is inflated) occurs.

The free market, when left undisturbed, does the best job of providing goods and services at the lowest cost and with the highest efficiency of any economic system, especially those based on authoritarianism.

SALES TAX INITIATIVE

A new California state initiative to abolish state sales taxes in two years is being circulated. An organization called CAST [Coalition to Abolish Sales Tax] is heading the drive. SLL cannot take an official stand on political issues, but such a program would assist in decreasing the grow of government which all libertarians support. CAST, 8004 Willis Avenue, Panorama City, CA 91402. It is interesting to note that between 1967 and 1977, while California's population increased 19 per cent, state spending has increased 188 per cent.

NEW BOOKLET IS OUT

It is finally out. It took over a year to be published, but Robert LeFevre's "Does Government Protection Protect" is in print.

"Government has never really said that they are going to protect us," contends LeFevre. Throughout the booklet, LeFevre employs FBI crime statistics which show that the police are successful only 20 per cent of the time in catching a criminal, and only 3 per cent successful in putting the criminal behind prison bars. [PRICE: \$2.50 each, 2/\$4.50, 4/\$8.00].



"Nobody is angry with the Swiss," LeFevre continued, "But just about everybody is angry with us." Assailing the United States' long interventionist foreign policy, he reminded his audience that their taxes have paid for assassination attempts, tin-horn dicators and corrupt elections all over the world. "If you try to buy friends," he warned, "you can only count on enmity."

LP REGISTRATION DRIVE

It has always been argued that the main purpose of the Libertarian Party is to "educate." It is interesting to see the California LP spend \$195,000 on registration (to qualify for ballot status), and not for education. Like any political party, the LP is getting political. The main registration drive is in Orange County (office--17175 Brookhurst, Suite A in Fountain Valley [714] 964-3338) where the LP is paying 75c to \$1.50 per signature.

LP NATIONAL CON. IN LA

The Libertarian Party is preparing for their national convention in Los Angeles at the Bonaventure Hotel September 6-9. The theme of 1979 convention is "Towards A Three Party System."

A SLL booth will be set up for this convention which promoters say will have "three thousand screaming libertarians." The convention is not just for politicos. Workshops and informative lectures are scheduled for visitors and non-political libertarians. (National LP, 1516 P Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20005).

SLL FRONTLINE REPORT

Joel Spring, author and professor of education at the University of Cincinnati; Jack Dean, fund raising consultant; John P. Robertson, a construction broker; Prof. Leonard Liggio of the Cato Institute and John Pugsley, author of *Common Sense Economics* have been added to SLL's Advisory Board...With the help of Pam Maltzman, SLL is planning to publish a small booklet of Kenneth Gregg's lecture given at Cypress College in Feb. SLL has joined CARD (Coalition Against Registration and the Draft) in Los Angeles. Co-Chaired by Mary Saylin of the American Civil Liberties Union, CARD is a coalition of about 30 anti-draft groups...SLL printed materials will be microfiched by John Zube of Australia...SLL has two new position papers (*The Case Against Kidnapping [Forced Busing and Nuclear Energy: A Problem of Insurance]*), three new bumperstickers [*Fight Organized Crime--Abolish The IRS, Born Free--Taxed To Death and Guns Don't Kill People--Politicians Do!*], four mini-posters (two dealing with non-voting, one on



Prof. Joel Spring

forced busing and the last one is a biblical quote which warns the Israelites of the horrors of a king if ruled by a government) and eight new buttons [*Oppose Selective Slavery, The State Sucks, Libertarians Make Better Lovers, Support Free Trade--Smuggle, RADIOACTIVE: If You Are Close Enough To Read This Button--You Are Now Sterile, etc.*].

NEGATIVE INCOME TAX FAILS IN WELFARE STUDY

The results of a massive experiment in socio-economical policy was reveled last November. The ten-year study of welfare reforms involved 8,500 families at the cost of \$112 million. All of the data has not been analyzed yet, but several conclusions are apparent.

According to *Newsweek* [Nov. 27, 1978], "A system of guaranteed income will work as a substitute for existing welfare programs, but there will be some loss of work incentive and an increase in the breakup of families." This was not exactly what politicians had expected.

Known as negative income tax, the experiment was administered by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Operated in seven states, the program began in 1970 with 2,700 one-and two-parent families--black, Hispanic and white--who were given cash assistance for periods of three to five years. Participants were either on welfare already, or were considered as the "working poor." No strings or controls were attached except for the right of researchers to study the behavior of all families involved. A control group of 2,000 families who were on current welfare programs or who had to depend on themselves for survival were involved in the study.

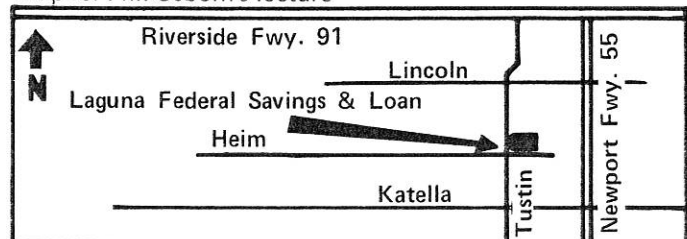
The report showed that those who received income assistance "worked an average of 6 per cent fewer hours than those men in the control group." Their wives "worked 17 per cent fewer hours and women who headed households worked 12 per cent less."

Welfare reformers were most disappointed over the higher than expected rate of family break ups. It was believed that guaranteed income from the government would stabilize marriages since the present welfare system encourage fatherless families due to higher benefits.

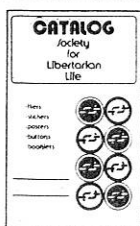
A 60 per cent higher rate of separation and divorce were observed in families receiving free income assistance as compared to the control group.

Apparently, welfare and welfare reform cause more problems than they solve. There are other alternatives to poverty other than seeing who can hand out the most money in the most bureaucratic fashion.

Map for Phil Osborn's lecture



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More than 300 court cases a year in South Africa deal with violation of race relations. For example, in 1977 a Johannesburg court found a black man guilty of kissing a white woman on the cheek in an elevator. The court gave the black South African the choice of paying a \$230 fine or going to jail for 200 days. He paid the fine.

The Immorality Act, amended in 1950, forbids any sex acts between whites and nonwhites and a 1949 law prohibits marriages between whites and nonwhites. [AP, June 30, 1977]

WASHINGTON D.C. - "Teddy bears and jack-in-the-boxes moved into the crowded area of federal regulation Thursday as the Consumer Product Safety Commission urged a ban on toys considered unsafe for toddlers.

"The commission voted unanimously to propose a ban on the sale of thousands of toys that are small enough or have parts small enough to be swallowed or choked on.

"The regulation would not cover many items that

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children sometimes swallow or choke on, including coins. Coins constitute the leading cause of injuries to children among small items, an earlier commission staff study found." (AP, Oct. 6, 1978)

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Sept. 5 [Wed.] Society for Individual Liberty's banquet at the Los Angeles Bonaventure Hotel, starting at 5:45 pm, \$25 a ticket, guests: Nathaniel Branden, Robert LeFevre, Murray Rothbard, Roy Childs. [Write to SIL, Box 1147, Warminster, PA 18974].

Sept. 6-9 Libertarian Party national convention at the Los Angeles Bonaventure Hotel [at 5th and Figueroa].

Oct. 26 [Fri.] Dr. National Branden at Cal State Univ., Fullerton at 7:30 pm. in the University Center's Multi-Purpose room. Tickets--\$5 general, \$4.50 students.

Author Sy Leon is forming a small group to discuss the psychology of personal relationships with adult singles. The research is for a new book. If interested call Sy (714) 731-0583. The group will meet in Orange County, CA.

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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 each person owns himself or herself exclusively, 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 and aggression are always immoral;
 That the only system consistent with personal freedoms in the economic arena is one that does not interfere with free trade between 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.