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## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be a general meeting of the New Jersey Libertarian Party on Saturday, January 12, 1980 at 2:00 p.m. at Pal's Cabin (downstairs) in West Orange.

Take Exit 145 of the Garden State Parkway (Route 280). Take 280 West (look for signs for the Oranges) to Exit 8B (Prospect Avenue - Cedar Grove). Go past the first traffic light. Pal's Cabin will be on your left just before the second light. (If you are heading east on Rte. 280 from Rte. 80, use the same exit - 8B.)

Since Pal's Cabin is graciously providing us with a private room, good tanstaaf philosophy requires that you come prepared to buy at least a sandwich and a beer.

Two speakers have been confirmed for the meeting. Sam Pirelli, president of United Taxpayers of New Jersey, will talk about Gov. Byrne's proposed \$300 million tax increase, and Mrs. Nancy Plent will discuss 'unschooling' in N.J.

## CLARK WILL BE IN N.J. FEB. 29-MARCH 1

1980 LP Presidential nominee Ed Clark will be in the Garden State at least part of Feb. 29 and all day March 1, according to Edward Crane, the Clark-Koch campaign's communications director.

Originally, it had been assumed by NJLP State Committee members that Clark would be here only part of March 1 so that he would be addressing the banquet at the State Convention, but this change in plans assures his presence at the Feb. 29 cocktail party as well.

Convention Chair Bill George has appointed Bob Shapiro as Clark's liaison for the two-day campaign swing. Anyone with ideas for the preparation of a full schedule for our nominee should contact Bob at 836-6741 or 768-5523.

## WILLIAMS TO BE NJLP BANQUET SPEAKER

Dr. Walter E. Williams, who is rapidly becoming one of the leading black proponents of the free market, is scheduled to address the Saturday night banquet at "Libertropolis 80," the 1980 NJLP State Convention, on the topic, "What the Government Can Do to Help the Cities."

In addition, Dr. Williams will attend the Friday night cocktail party and will lead two workshops on Saturday: "Government Restraints on Minority Economic Opportunity" from 10:30 a.m. to noon and "Inflation" from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

The convention will be held Feb. 29-March 1 at the Jersey City Holiday Inn.

Born in Philadelphia in 1936, Dr. Williams received his education in economics in California. In 1972, he earned his doctorate in economics from the University of California at Los Angeles. He is a UCLA Institute of Government and Public Affairs Fellow.

Since 1973, Dr. Williams has taught at Temple University in Philadelphia in the Department of Economics. In 1975, he was a National Fellow at the respected Hoover Institution on War, Peace and Revolution at Stanford University. While there, he researched the effects of information costs and property rights on minority group progress while on leave from Temple. Before his tenure at Temple, Dr. Williams served on the staff of The Urban Institute in Washington, D.C., where he conducted extensive research on poverty, consumer credit, minority enterprises and public finance.

Dr. Williams achieved much notoriety when his study on "Youth and Minority Unemployment" was published, after attempts were made by members of the Joint Economic Committee of the U.S. Congress to repress its findings. A number of Senators and Representatives had demanded that "sensitive" material in his study be deleted, but the complete study was finally published by the Hoover Institute.

Dr. Williams has completed a book, THE FREE MARKET AND NONPREFERRED PEOPLE, which represents his year of research at the Hoover Institute.

## David Koch Introduction

by Len Flynn

Many businessmen claim to support free enterprise, but so very few really live up to their claim. In fact, most are quite ready to run to government for handouts or protection when sales are slow or competition gets keen.

Some members of the business community are willing to contribute to libertarian and other free market initiatives, but they hide themselves from public view for fear that a principled and forthright personal commitment to freedom may be "bad for business." They couldn't be more mistaken: government controls are the "baddest business" of all.

Production and control in the hands of the State will destroy America--our economy and our liberty --and the sooner business leaders stand up and acknowledge this truth, then the sooner we can join together to fight these controls and roll back the state.

No, the progressing controls and oppression of statism will not be halted with such cowardly silence on the issues by business leaders. Government employs thousands of bureaucrats--paid out of business tax revenues--to churn out statist propaganda and fill the void left by the silent and unknown defenders of the free market in the business community. Government press agents daily proclaim the great benefits of the regulatory bureaucracy--FDA, EPA, FTC, OSHA, FCC, SEC, etc. These propagandists also heap praise on the tax giveaway programs of HUD, DHEW, Medicare/Medicade, aid for dependent children, Social Security, and so on.

Yet these apologists for the state are silent about the massive destruction of America's economy and her freedom caused by the regulatory decrees and crushing taxation. So who will tell the American people about these vicious acts and explain the free market solutions if the business leaders keep silent?

Our speaker tonight is one businessman who did step forward and make his commitment to freedom known to all, not only by financial support

but by his own personal willingness to serve as the Libertarian Party's candidate for Vice President. He will not be silent, and his speech tonight will give us a libertarian businessman's view of the libertarian movement and the LP.

David Koch first became interested in the libertarian philosophy at the Freedom School in Colorado in 1965. Since then he has attended many seminars on libertarianism and he has supported the Institute for Humane Studies, the CATO Institute, and the Center for Libertarian Studies.

He has been a witness to and promoter of the great growth of libertarianism in the last decade and a half, while at the same time performing a useful and productive role for Koch Engineering, a firm which manufactures chemical process equipment, air pollution control devices, and--through its Abcor subsidiary--water filtration equipment for pollution control. He is a 39 year old chemical engineer responsible for a company employing about 800 people and having total annual sales of \$60 million.

In 1962 he was a member of the small college All-American basketball team, and today he still exemplifies a true all American--the best in each of us--both a productive businessman and a vigorous defender of freedom. Let us welcome All American ..... DAVID KOCH.

-- Presented at the December 21, 1979 dinner of the NJLP Supper Club.

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## HESS, BOOKCHIN TEAM UP AT NJLP CONVENTION

Karl Hess and Murray Bookchin, two radical libertarians who have experimented with practical applications of their ideas in urban settings, are scheduled to jointly conduct a workshop on their experiences Saturday afternoon at "Libertropolis 80," the 1980 NJLP State Convention.

The workshop is scheduled for 1 to 2:30 p.m. and will follow Karl's luncheon talk on an as-yet unknown topic.

Born in Washington, D.C. in 1923, Hess is perhaps best known in his role as chief speechwriter for Barry Goldwater in the 1964 Presidential campaign. At 16, he joined the Socialist Party after the Communists refused to have him, and at 18, he volunteered for combat duty in World War II but flunked the physical, spending the war years becoming one of America's fastest-rising young journalists. Hess wrote for several major newspapers before becoming NEWSWEEK's press editor, by this time earning a reputation as a staunch conservative and rabid anti-communist.

Hess met Goldwater in 1960 while writing Richard Nixon's platform, and the two immediately struck up a working friendship. After a Hess-authored, Goldwater-delivered address became the first conservative speech printed in THE NEW YORK TIMES in its entirety, the team became America's foremost spokesmen for the Right.

Soon after Goldwater went down to defeat, Hess began a series of metamorphoses. He abandoned his political career to become a welder and tax rebel and drifted into what became known as the "New Left." The man who was known as "Lawmorder Karl" turned into an anarchist and started showing up at SDS and Black Panther conferences.

Hess and his second wife, Therese, lived in the Adams-Morgan section of Washington, where they and others attempted to establish a self-sufficient community-technology project in the inner city.

Hess won an award from PLAYBOY for "The Death of Politics," describing the rising libertarian movement. He co-authored THE END OF THE DRAFT and NEIGHBORHOOD POWER, and his memoirs were published as DEAR AMERICA.

Bookchin was born in New York City in 1921 and lived there for most of his life. In 1951, a full 11 years before Rachel Carson's SILENT SPRING, he wrote "The Problem of Chemicals" for CONTEMPORARY ISSUES. Bookchin is probably best known for his classic POST-SCARCITY ANARCHISM, which includes the full text of his famous 1969 pamphlet "Listen, Marxist!" Other books he wrote are CRISIS IN OUR CITIES (1965), THE LIMITS OF THE CITY (1973) and his recently-published THE SPANISH ANARCHISTS.

Bookchin is currently teaching at Ramapo College in the Environmental Studies Department and formerly resided in Hoboken. His talk on "Nonauthoritarian Forms of Organization" at the 1978 LP National Convention won the only standing ovation at that conclave.

Bookchin is also playing an advisory role to a group of tenants in New York's Lower East side who have begun a self-sufficiency project in abandoned apartment houses.

Both Hess and Bookchin are expected to attend the Friday night cocktail party at the NJLP convention to discuss their views and efforts informally with attendees.

## KOCH DINNER YIELDS \$237 FOR NJLP TREASURY

The largest turnout yet in the short but profitable history of the NJLP Supper Club -- 42 persons -- turned out on Dec. 21 to hear David Koch, 1980 LP Vice Presidential nominee, and to enjoy a complete prime rib dinner as prepared by Sir Arthur's Pub in East Brunswick.

After a few extemporaneous remarks, Koch treated us to a prepared speech he plans to deliver before business groups during the course of the campaign.

The NJLP had an income of \$900 and an outgo of \$663 for a \$237 profit, which will go toward defraying the start-up costs of our State Convention. Seven people bought tickets to the dinner but did not attend, causing us to spend \$95 on uneaten dinners which would have been put to better use in the NJLP treasury. In the future, those who purchase tickets with the intention of making a donation will be asked to so indicate.

1979 NJLP candidates Ginny Flynn, Henry Koch and Chris Toto were presented plaques which were donated by Tom Palven. Cindy Kretchman and Dick Roth did not attend to receive their plaques.

The NJLP Supper Club's spring series is expected to start in April, with the State Convention in between. Dates, places and speakers will be announced in the NJ LIBERTARIAN.

## NUCLEAR POWER- SHUTDOWN VS FREE MARKET

At the L.P. National Convention last September, I heard some arguments against nuclear power which made me rethink my position. Chief among them was the new (to me) concept of random murder, which goes something like this. Every time a particle of radiation passes through our bodies, there's a minute possibility that it will strike and change key genetic material, thereby causing cancer. The more radiation, the greater the risk of one of those cancer producing subatomic collisions. Since the very nature of a nuclear plant (or waste disposal site) is such that it spews radiation beyond its borders and upon the community at large, its presence adds to the risk of collision, cancer, and death. Since the individuals affected have not consented to this turn of events, the deaths attributable to the plant are murder. The logic in this argument seems powerful to me.

This theory's critics's response, that radiation is everywhere anyway, misses one main point- that each additional particle of radiation raises the risk of cancer. Another counter-argument, that people who fly in planes or live at high altitudes expose themselves to much higher amounts of radiation than they would receive from living next to a nuclear plant, likewise misses an important point- that of individual choice vs compulsory exposure. A final critical response is that acceptance of the random murder concept requires the acceptance of all the logical extentions. For exemple, every source of energy in use today involves the release of radiation, and most processes carried out in our modern industrial society release substances which may be harmful to one person or another. Therefore, these critics say, anti-nuclear/random murder believers are anti-technology, anti-modern civilization. The validity of this claim hinges on the answer to the classic libertarian dilemma of "How do we get from here to there?" This is the real issue. It seems to me that only an abolitionist who demanded that there be no nukes on this basis would logically have to be anti-technology. But a gradualist, through a return to full property rights and strict liability, would allow the free market to decide. Gradualism would allow three possibilities: improved technology which would contain all nuclear plant radiation, contractual consent of all nuclear plant neighbors, or no nukes. (The gradualist approach is my choice.)

Since the nuclear debate is far from being settled, especially in my mind, I would appreciate your comments and critiques of my analysis. I hereby give you permission to approach me, and I release you from any liability due to any radiation which your body would naturally emit in my direction.

Bob Shapiro

## RESPONSE TO A WCBS EDITORIAL

In response to high energy prices and shortages, WCBS wants a windfall profits tax and rationing. WCBS is completely wrong. These are the types of government programs which have caused all the problems.

The Wall Street Journal reports that, since controls started, over a third of the operating oil wells in California have shut down. Wall Street Week reports that thousands of exploratory wells have found oil which won't be developed. In both cases the oil is down there waiting, but with controls and entitlements and allocations it's just not profitable. Get rid of these programs and this oil will come to market, eliminating shortages and knocking prices down.

But WCBS ignores basic economics in favor of government press releases. An example is "windfall profits." The WCBS mention of the doubling of Exxon's worldwide earnings ignores Exxon's domestic earnings 18% decline. Windfall profits only exist as they apply to government which confiscates over 70% of oil company earnings. Another example is that rationing prevents long lines at gas stations. But the fact that the U.S. was the only country in the world with odd-even rationing in '73 and '79 and that only we had gas lines exposes that lie.

The Libertarian Party says that to solve our energy problems, government should simply get out of the way.

*Bob Shapiro*

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Luncheon & Speech by Karl Hess (Noon-1 p.m.) 10.00  
Baked Ziti, Cold Cuts, Salad, etc.

Workshop with Karl Hess & Murray Bookchin (1-2:30 p.m.) 5.00

Afternoon Workshop with Walter Williams (3-4:30 p.m.) 5.00

Libertarian Film Festival (4:30-7 p.m.) 7.50  
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Banquet & Speech by Walter Williams (7-9 p.m.) 25.00  
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# CARTER'S IRAN POLICY SEEN ENDANGERING HOSTAGES

The administration's actions in the Iran crisis are clearly endangering the safety of the hostages being held in the American embassy in Teheran, despite the President's statement that their welfare is his constant concern. Americans should be on their guard against any attempt by the administration to use the Iranian situation to promote re-election of the President.

The President's statement that the release of the hostages alone would no longer be sufficient concession by the Iranians offers the revolutionaries no inducement whatever to release the prisoners. Extension of official protective custody to the multibillionaire Shah and putting the resources of the government at his disposal only serves to advance the Ayatollah's contention that the Shah has been and remains the officially approved puppet of the U.S. Carter's hints that the Shah may now be allowed to remain in the U.S. inevitably raises serious doubts about the purpose behind the original decision to allow the deposed ruler into the country.

The Ayatollah's holding of American hostages is designed to divert attention from the shakiness of his regime. Whatever the announced purpose, the effect of the administration's policy is very similar to that of the Ayatollah. By rallying patriotic citizens around the Commander-in-Chief in time of international crisis, public attention is conveniently diverted from crucial domestic issues the Administration has failed to deal with adequately - inflation, recession, energy shortage, pollution, bureaucratic over-regulation, etc. Thus, too, is the national debate on the Iranian question, an integral part of the democratic process, effectively stifled, leaving the Administration free to act as arbitrarily as previous administrations did in getting us into the Vietnam War.

## LETTER POLICY

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The present Iranian crisis is the result of four decades of 'bi-partisan' interventionist foreign policy advocated by liberals and conservatives alike. The libertarian principle of non-intervention in the internal affairs of other countries, as expressed in the platform of Ed Clark, the Libertarian Party candidate for president in 1980, will put a halt to the continuing decay of American prestige abroad and the on-going weakening of our national security. It will put an end to the waste of lives and national resources that result uncritically supporting supposedly anti-communist dictators whose oppressive, self-serving policies inevitably pave the way for communist take-overs.

Our repeatedly disastrous experiences abroad since the end of World War II - notably in China, Cuba, Vietnam, and now in Iran - plainly demonstrates that the continuation of the interventionist foreign policy is impractical, immoral, and unsuccessful, will only lead to further losses of lives, money, and prestige abroad and could well lead to World War III.

-Fritz Davis

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State Committee Meeting  
Dec. 15, 1979

The N.J.L.P. State Committee met at the Town House restaurant in Woodbridge, N.J. and passed the following motions.

- 1) Approved expenditure of \$77.70 for reprinting N.J.L.P. leaflets.
- 2) Approved Paul Furlong for Burlington county chairman, and Fritz Davis for Ocean county chairman.
- 3) Affirmed the N.J.L.P. chairman's appointment of Fritz Davis as N.J.L.P. publicity director.
- 4) Approved the giving of testimony at the Jan. 1980 regional hearings in N.Y. City by the House Committee on Immigration and Naturalization. (Members = Chris White, Chm., Jose Stelle, Fritz Davis)
- 5) Set date for next general meeting at Jan. 12, 1980 at 2pm. with location to be determined.
- 6) Established a committee to create position papers on N.J. state issues. (members= Bob Shapiro, Chm., Jose Stelle, Len Flynn, Fritz Davis and Ken Kaplan.)
- 7) Authorized printing of fifty extra N.J. Libertarians for distribution to county chairs.

The state committee also heard reports on the Koch dinner, 1980 N.J.L.P. state convention ( Feb.29 & Mar. 1, 1980), publicity program, the youth rights committee, the N.J.L.P. mailing list update, and 1980 congressional candidates.

The Clark petition drive is well underway, and the state committee approved a prize of two tickets to the cocktail party at the N.J.L.P. annual convention for the two best petitioners ( value \$ 20.00 ea.).

-- Paul Furlong

**STATE COMMITTEE**

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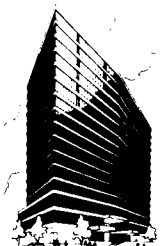


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We hold that all individuals have the right to exercise sole dominion over their own lives, and have the right to live in whatever manner they choose, so long as they do not forcibly interfere with the equal right of others to live in whatever manner 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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Do you believe that voluntary agreements between companies or individuals are none of the government's business — provided that no force or fraud is involved nor intended against anyone else?

Do you believe the government should stop trying to impose its morality on the American people, that no crime has been committed if there is no victim? Do you believe it is wrong to use the time, budgets and resources of our police, courts and prisons to persecute people who may be harming no one but themselves?

Do you believe government should leave the buying of seatbelts, motorcycle helmets or any other item designed for personal safety up to the individual?

Do you believe government spending and taxation should be cut?

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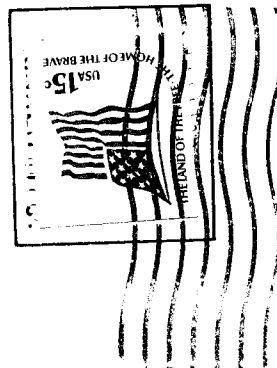
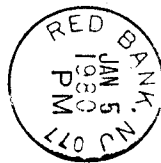
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