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Marrou Takes First Place in Dixville Notch

Of thirty one votes cast, Marrou receives 11, George Bush 9, everyone else three or less. Dixville Notch traditionally reports the first primary returns in the Nation. Says Marrou, "this proves that the ideas of less government and more freedom and individual responsibility can do well when heard at the same decibel level."

National Coverage - Marrou's Dixville Notch victory was covered across the country. CNN Headline News, Fox Morning News and C-SPAN carried interviews with Marrou in addition to reporting the totals.

Other national coverage includes an appearance by Nancy Lord on Crier & Co. Feb 13 and an appearance by Andre Marrou on CNN's News-maker Saturday on Feb 15.

Time magazine proves itself a questionable source for political news.

Time's Jan 13, 1992 issue misidentified Lyndon LaRouche as a (l) libertarian. Alert members notified the National HQ and protests were lodged before the issue hit the newsstands. (Subscribers get it a few days earlier.)

Time editors refused to print a retraction but following a flood of mail from outraged Libertarians Time did print parts of two letters by Libertarians disclaiming LaRouche in their Feb 03 issue.

In the meantime other news media from New York to Seattle reported that LaRouche is the Libertarian Party candidate for President. Chair Mary Gingell, Media Director Gary Johnson and Education Area

Manager Joe Dehn kept busy putting out these fires as they erupted. Local Libertarians did their part as well. NY City members picketed WNET for their error. WNET and several others claimed they got their information from Time.

Gun Owner Interest Growing - Nearly 100 inquiries resulted from a letter to the editor printed in Soldier of Fortune magazine. The letter, written by Dean C. Pleasant of Glendale, AZ invited readers to write for free information and listed the National HQ address.

More inquiries resulted from a Feb 14 article in Gun Week. The article interviewed Marrou and listed the Marrou/Lord Campaign address.

The Dec 91 issue of Downrange reprinted the Gun Rights article from Liberty Today, an LP outreach publication, in it's entirety. Downrange is the newsletter of Maryland's State NRA Association.

The National Motorists Association, in their Nov/Dec 91 issue of NMA News, released results of a member survey in which 30% of the membership identified themselves as libertarian.

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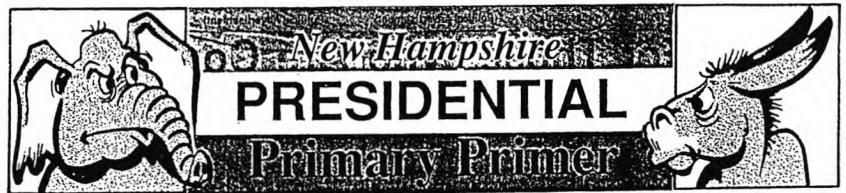
Wrong Party

In an item on candidates who are entered in the New Hampshire primary, you described extremist Lyndon LaRouche as a "wild-eyed libertarian" [NATION, Jan. 13]. Some people might think that means he belongs to the Libertarian Party. LaRouche is not and never has been a Libertarian. We in this party don't want him. The Democrats can have him, and indeed they do—as their candidate.

*Andre Marrou
Nominee for President
Libertarian Party
Las Vegas*

Your reference to LaRouche as a libertarian was a real knee slapper. What's next? W.C. Fields as the Prohibition Party's candidate? Captain Ahab as spokesman for Greenpeace?

*Dante DeAmicis
San Jose*



Tuesday, February 4, 1992



Stop the Pressies

Free Speech. Lyndon LaRouche, the political extremist who endorses conspiracy theories that might make even JFK director Oliver Stone blush, has had his politics described in all sorts of ways.

But an apparently novel description came in *Time's* Jan. 13 "American Notes" section: a "wild-eyed libertarian."

Andre Marrou, the Libertarian Party nominee for president, believes the description has taken some liberties with the truth.

"LaRouche may be a wild-eyed screwball, but he is not a libertarian," Marrou says.



Wild-eyed maybe, but a libertarian?

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Wednesday, January 29, 1992
The Seattle Times

DISAVOWAL: An item in Monday's column misidentified Lyndon La Rouche as a Libertarian. (He's been called a Libertarian in *Time* magazine.) But Karen Allard, who heads the Libertarian Party of Washington State, vigorously disowns La Rouche, saying, "He never has been a member. He is nowhere in our database."

Tom Isenberg, Libertarian PR director, points out the Libertarians already have a presidential ticket (Andre Marrou and Nancy Lord), chosen at last year's convention in Chicago. Isenberg adds, "The only thing that the Libertarian party has in common with La Rouche is the letter 'L.'"

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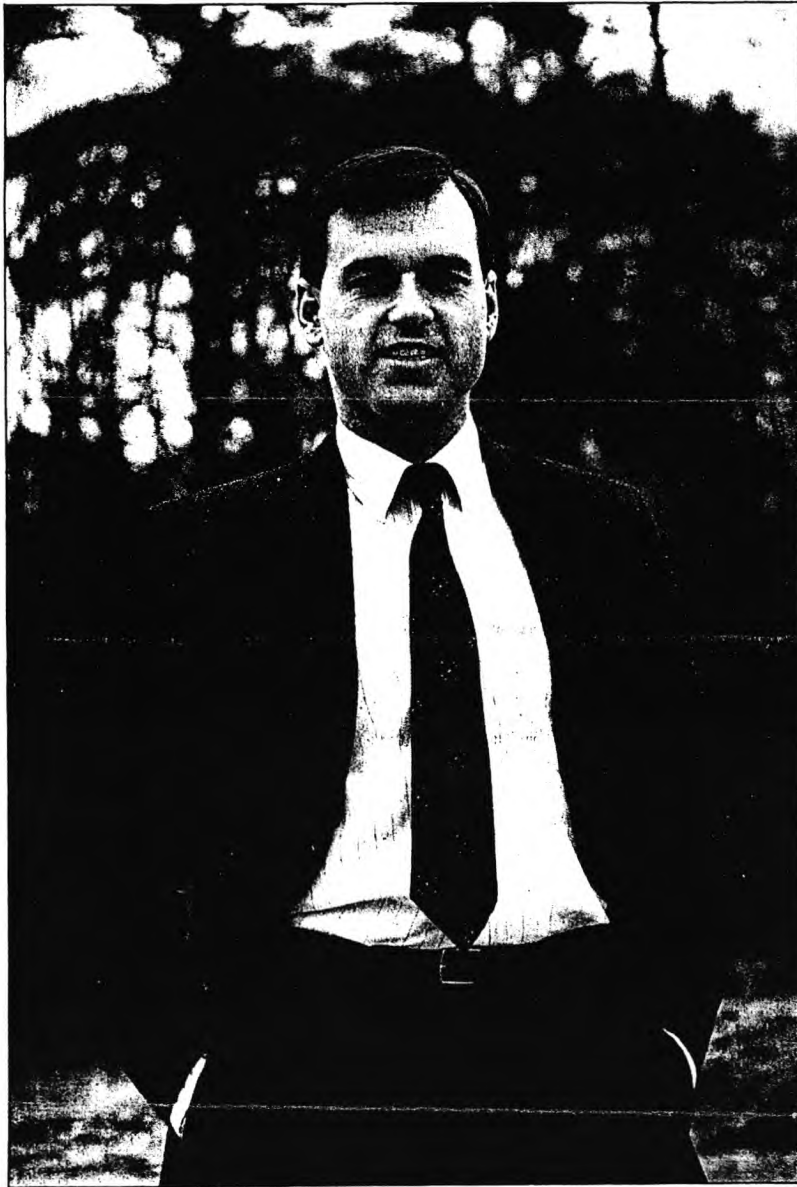
And Libertarians for all?

If the networks are really serious about changing the way they cover the Presidential campaign, there's one solution: let the public know there is a third party, the Libertarians. When C-SPAN covered the Libertarian Convention, the party headquarters received more than 10,000 calls from people wanting more information. So why are the networks afraid of giving them some air time? Let the people have equal access to all candidates, and let us decide for ourselves ["Election '92—One Year and Counting. This Time: Will TV Stick to the High Road—or Get Mired in Mudslinging?" Nov. 23].

*Nancy Williams
Running Springs, Cal.*

MERRIMACK

A distinguishing affiliation



Staff photo by Peter Carvelli

Finlay Rothhaus, a first-term Merrimack representative, switched parties — from Republican to Libertarian — two months ago. He expects his voting record to show little change.

Libertarian lawmaker says his ex-party, not his views, have changed

By CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS
Telegraph Staff

MERRIMACK — Still in his first term in the state Legislature, Rep. Finlay Rothhaus already has distinguished himself from the other 391 representatives.

His name now is familiar to most House members not because of legislation he has sponsored. Instead, the 34-year-old stove shop owner stands out as only the second legislator in the state's history to serve as a registered Libertarian.

On Dec. 12, after 13 years as a registered Republican, Rothhaus switched party affiliation to Libertarian. His views haven't changed, he insists. Rather, he says, it's the Republican Party that has changed.

"I have always considered (Thomas) Jefferson my true love. I really believed in his concept of government, that it should be as small as possible," Rothhaus explains. "That's what I always thought the Republican Party stood for."

He discovered that wasn't so, he says. During his first month in the Legislature, he voted against a supplemental appropriations bill that raised taxes to cover a projected budget shortfall. Rothhaus was called into the governor's office and pressured to reverse his position. Rothhaus says he was surprised to hear a Republican governor favoring a tax increase. "I don't think he's running as tight a ship as he ought to," Rothhaus says.

Later, he learned the Republican leadership in Concord was leaning toward a state income tax, Rothhaus says. "That's a tough pill for me to swallow," he says. "I felt as though I had been sold out by the party," Rothhaus says.

That was when he began to think about switching to another party that was more closely aligned to his views. Rothhaus says he investigated the Libertarian Party's platform, which is based on the Bill of Rights, and that he was impressed by the party's increasing strength in the state. In the last presidential elections, the Libertarian candidate garnered 8 percent of the Merrimack vote, he says, adding that New Hampshire may be ripe for a change to the Libertarian Party.

Rothhaus admits that leaving an established party is not easy. "You get nestled into a cozy little feeling when it comes time to jump ship. There's a fear factor involved," he says. "I did battle in my mind, before deciding," he said.

"I commend him for his courage," says fellow freshman Rep. Robert L'Heureux, also of Merrimack. "Taking the step he did took a lot of guts. He's a man of his convictions." A Republican, L'Heureux says he looked into the Libertarian Party, but disagreed with too many of its positions, such as drug decriminalization.

For his part, Rothhaus agrees with the party's view that the federal government spends far more than it should on drug crimes, money that would be better spent on drug education and other preventive measures.

Abortion, Rothhaus says, should be allowed in cases of rape or incest, or if a woman's life is in jeopardy.

Although the party's platform differs greatly from that of the Republicans, Rothhaus insists his views haven't changed "one iota" since making the switch. "My votes in Concord last year (as a Republican) will be very consistent with my votes this year," he says.

Convincing constituents of this might prove more difficult, but Rothhaus says he would be up to the challenge if he decides to run for re-election in November. "I'm going to have to do a lot of knocking on doors," he concedes.

Libertarian is favored by Dixville Notch

DIXVILLE NOTCH, N.H. — President Bush easily defeated Pat Buchanan 9-3 in the first complete precinct results of the nation's first presidential primary early today.

Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton edged former Sen. Paul Tsongas of Massachusetts 3-1 in the Democratic primary, but Mr. Tsongas picked up an additional write-in vote on the GOP ballot.

The big winner on the evening was Libertarian candidate Andre Marrou, who captured 11 votes, including one write-in from the GOP primary.

Consumer advocate Ralph Nader also received three write-in votes in the Republican ballots.

As they have done every four years since 1960, the voters of this tiny Alpine village cast their ballots within minutes of midnight in individual voting booths in the lobby of the Balsams Grand Resort Hotel.

Washington Times

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There were 31 registered voters this year: 18 Republicans, 4 Democrats and 9 independents eligible to vote in either party's primary.

The electorate of the town — 12 miles from the Canadian border — voted at last March's town meeting to meet in the hotel lobby and vote in what has become a media event over the years.

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► N.H. PRIMARY

It's Party time for Libertarian

■ Presidential candidate Marrou doing his best to make it the party of the 21st century.

By CHERYL DULAK
Telegraph Staff

HUDSON — Libertarian presidential candidate Andre Marrou knows he probably will not be the country's next leader.

But that won't stop the 53-year-old former Alaskan legislator from waging an aggressive campaign for president, complete with television ads and an address to the New Hampshire General Court next month.

So far, the Marrou campaign has spent approximately \$30,000 in the Granite State and Marrou predicts that sum will at least double when the 1992 elections here are over.

Marrou, a former Republican now living in Scarsdale, N.Y., said one of his goals this year is to build up the Libertarian Party.

Hopes are to make it the party of the 21st century. "We hope to beat at least one Democrat in the primary," said Marrou, during an editorial board interview Friday at The Telegraph.

Marrou, the Libertarian Party's presidential nominee, is on the Feb. 18 primary ballot in New Hampshire. The commercial real estate broker and Massachusetts Institute of Technology graduate is also eligible for primaries in California, Montana, Wisconsin, Georgia, and Texas.

His running mate is lawyer Nancy Lord, 39, of Atlanta, Ga. Lord, who has a medical degree, ran for mayor of Washington, D.C., in 1990 and came in fourth out of a field of 11 candidates.

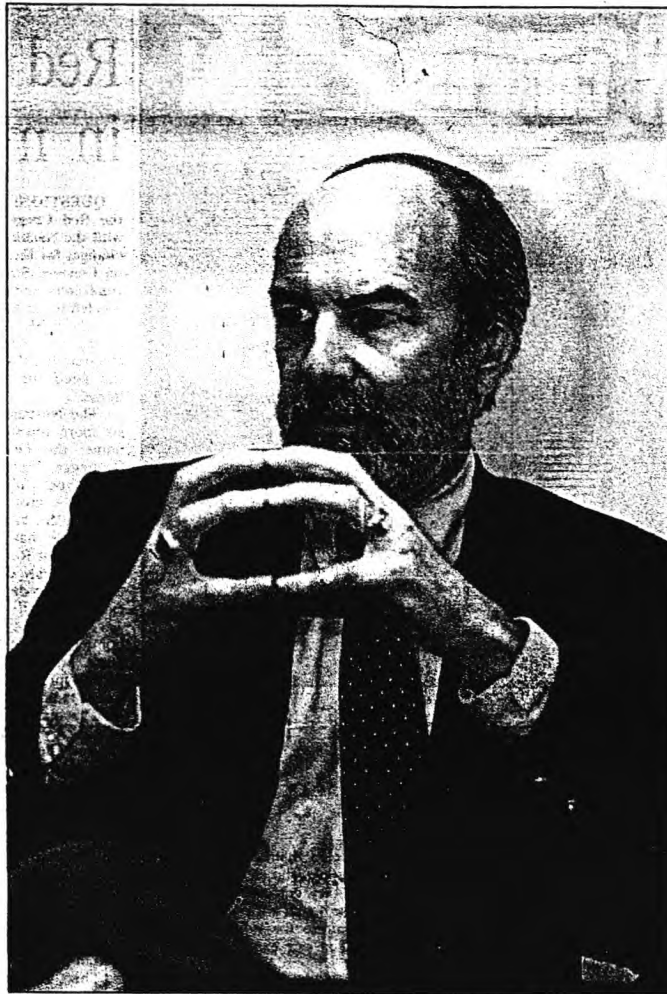
In November, the Marrou-Lord campaign hopes to win votes totaling at least 1 million.

Other goals of Marrou include helping to get the two Libertarian legislators in the House re-elected and getting more Republicans and Democrats to switch to the Libertarian side.

Finlay Rothhaus of Merrimack and Calvin Warburton of Raymond are the only two Libertarian state legislators.

The party became officially recognized in New Hampshire in 1990 when gubernatorial candidate

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Staff photo by Peter Caravelli

Andre Marrou has spent about \$30,000 in New Hampshire so far on his presidential campaign.

Marrou

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Miriam Luce of Windham won 5 percent of the vote. A third-party candidate needs at least 3 percent of the vote in the governor's race to get statewide recognition and an automatic spot on the primary ballot.

Marrou embraces the Libertarian platform, which says the less government interference in one's life, the better.

"The Democrats and the Republicans think government is good, and the more of it the better. We think government is inherently bad and the best we can do is minimize it," he said.

By doing away with most of the federal government and its agencies, people would be left to run their own lives, he says.

Repealing income taxes and abolishing the Internal Revenue Service is a start, according to Marrou, who is divorced and has three grown sons.

His views on other issues include:

■ Legalizing drugs, including marijuana and cocaine.

■ Privatizing schools, allowing parents to send their children to private schools through money from vouchers and tax credits for corporations.

■ Rejecting a national health care program, cutting Medicaid and instead letting the free market compete for a person's medical care.

■ Wiping out environmental regulations, pollution standards, and regulatory agencies such as the EPA, the FDA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Under The State House Dome

BY DONN TIBBETTS



First Time This Year For Three Primaries

ACTUALLY THERE WILL be three first-in-the-nation New Hampshire primaries this year on Feb. 18.

Republicans will choose their nominee from President **George Bush**, **Pat Buchanan** and 23 others choices on the GOP ballot.

Democrats will make their selection from frontrunners **Paul Tsongas**, **Bill Clinton**, **Tom Harkin**, **Bob Kerrey**, **Jerry Brown** and 31 others on the ballot including Virginia Gov. **Doug Wilder** who halted his campaign but by law remains on the ballot.

For the first time in Granite State history there is a Libertarian Party primary with only **Andre Marrou**, the national party choice, on the ballot.

While registered Libertarians may only vote in their primary, Republican and Democrats may vote in their own primary or in the Libertarian primary. That's because the Libertarians have attained ballot status for the first time.

Undeclared voters may walk into the polling place and ask for either a Republican, Democratic or Libertarian ballot.

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HOW MANY VOTES AT STAKE? As of Sept. 1, 1991, there were 511,307 registered voters, down 147,409 after the voter checklists were purged for accuracy last year. New voters have until Feb. 8 to register so that number will increase some.

But the last official count showed 210,106 registered Republicans, 150,360 Democrats and 191 Libertarians. The number of undeclared registered voters — the so-called independents — was 150,650, and comprised the second largest block of voters in the Granite State.

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