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On The Offensive

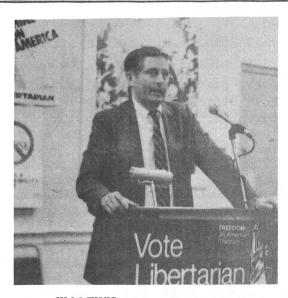
Libertarian Party vice presidential candidate Jim Lewis traveled accross the state in mid-August proclaiming that the election of LP candidates in November will 'send a message to both the Democrata and Republicans that the public is tired of government controls.'

Lewis, who was the keynote speaker at the S.C.L.P. atate convention, stressed that with the Republicans and Democrats the American people are forced to choose between a 'welfare or warfare state' and that these policies are depriving the young people of today a chance for a better future.

"Enormous federal deficits,"
Lewis predicted, eventually will
sound the death knell for what
freedoms Americans now enjoy. He
lashed out at government programs
that depend on the "constant, heavy
flow of cheaply printed monies that
keep the huge federal bureaucracy in
business."

Lewis said bureaucrats
operating under Democratic
administrations have created a
massive welfare industry that grows
larger every year. Under the
Republicans the emphasis is on a
warfare state with the nation's
wealth directed toward the
production of expensive weapons
systems.

While in the state Lewis visited the Greenville/Spartanburg, Columbia, and Aiken areas.



JIM LEWIS - photo by Ron Heaton

STATE CONVENTION, PART II, REPORT

The S.C.L.P. state convention reconvened on Saturday, August 18, at the Town House hotel in Columbia.

The convention was called to order by John B. Heaton (convention chairperson) with Dr. Steve Kreisman, state chair, approving the convention delegates in the absense on party secretary John Harllee. Howard Johnson served as convention secretary.

The first order of business was to debate and decide upon the status of the children's rights platform. Dr. David Morris spoke in favor of the platform and Robert 'Bob' Madden spoke against with a discussion of merits following. The plank entitled 'The Rights of Children' passed.

Dr. Steve Kreisman gave a short overview of the Campaign `84

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Capitalism is the best. It's free enterprise. Barter. Gimbels, if I get really rank with the clerk, "Well I don't like this," how can I resolve it? If it really gets ridiculous, I go, "Frig it, man, I walk." What can this guy do at Gimbels, even if he is the president of Gimbels? He can always reject me from that store, but I can always go to Macy's. He can't really hurt me. Communism is like one big phone company. Government control, man. And if I get too rank with that phone company, where can I go? I'll end up like a schmuck with a dixie -Lenny Brucecup on a thread.

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Committee. The committee has produced two brochures recently; one dealing with national and state-wide candidates put forth by our party and the other 'A PRIMER' on the S.C.L.P. The Committee is also selling silver ingots with the Statue of Liberty embosed on them for \$50.00 each (to obtain one please send check or money order to the Campaign '84 Committee at P.O.Box 1415, Aiken, So. Car. 29802 -your contribution can be tax deductible). Monies raised by the committee will be spent in support of South Carolina candidates.

Following Dr. Kreismans' report the floor was opened for resolutions. Dr. Morris ask that the party support a lawsuit and express its support for the plaintiffs in the "separation of powers" (see August newsletter) against Governor Riley, Lt. Gov. Daniel, and all other licensed attorneys who hold positions in the executive/legislative branches of the South Carolina government. Seymour asked that the party urge "the So. Car. legislature adopt a voting registration system by which voters would not be required to register to vote in order to vote," this resolution failed after discussion. Ron Heaton (party vicechairperson) urged that "we demand the So. Car. legislature give to the people their rights to the inititive, recall, and referendum" which passed the convention. further resolution was passed "thanking the officers of the party for a job well done and to thank David Bergland and Jim Lewis for attending our conventions".

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GUN CONTROL ISSUE IN SIXTH DISTRICT

"I don't know where Mr. Tallon (incumbent) stands on gun control; see if you can get him to tell you," Dr. Hugh Thompson, Libertarian candidate for Congress told a group of hunting enthusiasts near Darlington.

"I do know someone who called his office and asked, and was told that no one on the staff knew; he later got a letter that said that Representative Tallon favored heavy penalities for using guns to commit crimes, but never answered his question about guns for hunting, sport shooting, and home protection," he said.

"Unless he comes out clearly and unequivocally against the national Democratic platform, we have to assume that he wants to take your guns away from you."

The Democratic Party favors the abolition of hand guns while the Republicans simply want to register them.

"Only the Libertarian Party supports your constitutional right to keep and bear arms," Thompson declared. "An armed people is by definition, a free people, and that is what we all want."

ED.NOTE - The situation can also be viewed this way. A famous bumper-sticker proclaims: 'When Guns are Outlawed, Only Outlaws Will Have Guns.' To which we would add: 'When only the police have guns, the Police State is just around the corner.'

RECOMMENDED READING

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GUN CONTROL
Robert J. Kukla
TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS
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The S.R.P. Comes Under Fire

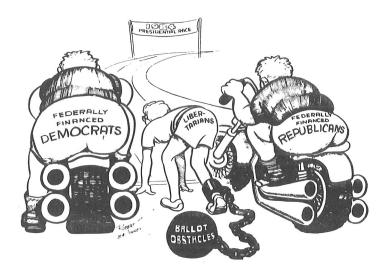
Jim Lewis, L.P.V.P., toured the Savannah River Plant - Nuclear Weapons Facility with fellow SCLP candidates Steve Davis, Robert Madden, Hugh Thompson and party officials Heidi Davis, Ron Heaton, and David Morris in August.

Lewis stated at a press conference later that he had seen the T.V. show 'The Day After' and after touring the S.R.P. he had now seen "the day before." He went on to say that the plant is symbolic of a system that the LP opposes because it confines and restricts both people and technology at the expense of a free market place.

Davia, SCLP U.S. Senate candidate, said that while he was impressed with the people and technology at the S.R.P., he said it did nothing to change his ideas that the nation would be better off diverting such resources into other fields - ones that will create a better future for our children.

Madden, Congressional candidate in the 3rd district, said that he resented the fact that the Third District has become a dumping ground for any materials that the states or federal government does not want. The 3rd district contains several hazardious dumping areas including the S.R.P. and Chem-Nuclear.

Steve Davia and Robert Madden toured the Chem-Nuclear site the following week with members of the atates Palmetto Alliance, Inc.



STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE:
October 21, Sunday - Election
Strategy
November 6, Tuesday - VOTE -

Election Day December 16, Sunday - Budget Meeting

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BALLOT DRIVE UPDATE

Presidential contender David Bergland and Jim Lewis (V.P.) have met ballot qualifications and been granted access to November's election alate in 30 states (in 1980 the party was on the ballot in all 50 states). The party has permanent ballot status in South Carolina. Five states have filed the required number of petition signatures to meet their qualifications and are awaiting final certification by the Secretary of State in each respective state: Illinois, Maine, South Dakota, and Washington. Recent ballot access victories have occurred in LP lawsuits in three states: Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Wyoming. States awaiting the outcome of a lawsuit include: Georgia, Maine, South Dakota, and Texas. As of September 1, the LP hopes to be on the ballot in 40 states, and by October 1 we hope to be on the ballot in all 50, again. The LP, unlike other political parties, does not believe in nor accept Federal funds for political campaigns, or any other campaign, we exist off of the generious voluntary contributions of the American people.



As many people may know the week from October 17 to October 24 has been designated as 'Peace Week'. Before, during and after many peace groups throughout South Carolina and the world will be working toward bringing the idea of world peace into the homes and hearts of many To augment this the people. Greenville based Piedmont Peace Resource Center will be sponsoring its second annual FREEZE WALK on October 13. For more info. one may contact them at (803) 235-2713. might also be noted that a crosscountry peace walk will pass through the state the last week in September and the first week of October. These events are generally nonsectarian and Libertarians encouraged to attend.

The convention broke for lunch to return to hear Steve Davis (U.S.Senate candidate) report on his campaign and show a preview of the T.V. ads his campaign will run.

Vice-presidential chadidate Jim Lewis then gave the keynote speech. Lewis spoke on the problems that the party faces and how he felt that the party had not yet sold itself to the public. "We are a new party - we must sell the benefits of libertarianism and not sit around and philosophize with each other -we have a product and we must go public with it or face stagnation and defeat." Lewis left to a standing ovation. Lewis is the author of a new book Liberty Reclaimed which is due out in September.

Next on the agenda were speeches by the various congressional candidates: Robert Madden in the Third; Ray Pike in the Fourth; and Dr. Hugh Thompson in the Sixth.

Following the speech making the floor was opened up for nomination of candidates. Linda Blevins was nominated to run in the 5th Congressional District. She was nominated by acclimation. Sullivan was nominated to run in the 2nd district and was approved in the same manner. The following persons were nominated and approved by acclimation to run for their respective So. Car. State Senate seats: Jan L. Chapman (Lexington), Steve Vandervelde (Columbia), Mitch Olinger (Hartsville), Howard Johnson (Anderson), and C. Wayne Crews, jr. (Greenwood). The following persons were selected to run for the So. Car. House of Representatives: John DeVore Compton III (Greenwood) and William 'Bill' Griffin (West Columbia). Several other persons were interested in running for local offices but made no commitments at the convention -they have until September 12 to inform John Harllee, S.C.L.P. Secretary, in order to appear on the ballot (they do need the approval of their county party).

Late in the afternoon a motion was made to recess the convention, this motion passed on a voice vote.

(thanks to Howard Johnson)

BERGLAND PRESIDENT VOTE LIBERTARIAN

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PIKE DEBATES OPPONENTS

Ray Pike, S.C.L.P. candidate for congress in the 4th district, has accepted the challange to debate his opponents on live T.V.

On the 1st of October, Monday, Pike will appear on WYFF channel 4 at 7:30 for a one and a half hour debate at the Hyatt Regency in Greenville before a live audience. Pike will be on WSPA channel 7 on Sunday, October 7 from 8 till 9:00 o'clock with a studio debate.

S.C.L.P. CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES
TO
APPEAR ON S.C.E.T.V. 'CAROLINA
JOURNAL'

Thanks to the efforts of the S.C.L.P. media co-ordinator, Ron Heaton, the candidates for federal office in South Carolina will appear on the S.C.E.T.V. program 'Carolina Journal' which airs each week-day night at 7:30 on all educational network channels. The candidates will appear on the following dates:

Sept. 18 - TUE - Ray Pike
Sept. 26 - WED - Robert Madden
Oct. 5 - FRI - Linda Blevins
Oct. 11 - THUR - Cynthia Sullivan
Oct. 16 - TUE - Steve Davis
Oct. 18 - THUR - Hugh Thompson

The program is a talk-show format with the first half given to discussion and the second half given to phone-in questions from around the state. Libertarians are urged to watch these programs and call in pertanent questions.

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