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THE PEACE AND FREEDOM PARTY

by John Haag

The Peace and Freedom Party was born three years ago out of the conviction that neither the Democrat nor Republican Party would end the war in Southeast Asia or develop programs to eliminate racism and poverty here at home. Working in the interests of a corporate economy designed to make profits rather than to satisfy human needs, both Democrats and Republicans have produced higher taxes, rising unemployment, increasing violence and crime, chaos in the schools, more and more invasions of privacy, a rapid increase in poisonous food and other products, intolerable pollution and accelerating destruction of our resources and natural environment.

The Peace and Freedom Party maintains that all these problems can be solved, that the knowledge and resources are available or can be made available by a society whose first priority is the welfare of its members. We offer our program for the rehabilitation of our society.

Immediate withdrawal of all U.S. military forces from Southeast Asia. End economic aid to dictatorial governments financed by our taxes. Abolish the draft and insure the right of GIs to organize, trial by peers, and freedom of speech.

Guarantee adequate health care, housing and education according to individual ability.

Community control of community affairs, including police and economic development.

Decentralize government and production.

Put control of campus policy in the hands of students and faculty.

Guarantee personal freedoms: legalize abortions, marijuana and private sexual acts among consenting persons. If there is no victim, there is no crime.

Liberate women to choose their own roles in all fields of life.

Save the environment by prohibiting pollution, waste of resources and destruction of nature for profit.

Tax the rich: shift the burden of taxes from working people to those who profit most from the economic system.

Stop freeway construction in favor of public transportation. Relieve unemployment now by reducing the work week without loss of pay. Abolish the death penalty. Demilitarize and disarm the police.

The Peace and Freedom Party exists within the context of a movement for social change, a complex effort to acquire power and the benefits of society for all its members. Vote for PFP candidates, but don't stop there. Make your vote count by joining with us and other movement organizations working for social change all year round. The future depends on how hard you work for it, beginning today.



MARGE BUCKLEY - Attorney General

Marge Buckley has been a practicing attorney since 1958, and is admitted to practice in California, Michigan and before the U.S. Supreme Court. Before joining the PFP movement, Marge's activities in the broader left movement go back to the days when she handed out her first leaflet at age four with her father who was an organizer for the UAW-CIO in Detroit. Her first political campaign was in 1948 for Henry Wallace. In 1965, she worked with the National Lawyers Guild in Mississippi investigating civil rights matters with workers in the Freedom Houses. She is now serving on the executive board of the So. Calif. Guild Chapter. Returning to LA, she worked with the County Bar Association and the ACLU to get victims of the Watts Rebellion released from jail.

For the past three years Marge has been director of a neighborhood poverty law office in Venice. She is totally committed to the concept of community control of community affairs, as indicated by her involvement with the Venice Health Council, the Free Venice movement and the Venice Defense Committee.

While her opponents vie in calling for law and

order, Marge is more interested in the Attorney General as head of the State Department of Justice. She promises to:

Directly supervise every D.A., sheriff, and other law enforcement officer; Insure that all juries are truly composed of one's peers; Represent the Indians of the state as a class; Regulate and investigate plans for statewide health care service; Control all forms of environmental pollution.



JACK HAMPTON - State Treasurer

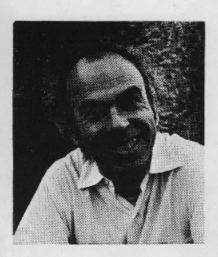
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Hampton is a published poet, a UCLA graduate, and the owner of the Jack Hampton Theatrical Agency in Beverly Hills. He is currently attending the University of West Los Angeles where he is studying law.

Jack Hampton gives full support to the PFP platform. He believes that taxes should be the responsibility of the rich and the poor should be exempt from the burden of taxation; that a great portion of taxes for financing schools should come from the large corporations, especially the oil and agribusiness of California (it should not come from the property taxes of the home owner); that a Department of Culture should be formed in Sacramento to finance cultural and ethnic programs; that pre-school programs should be expanded. He would institute monthly public reports to indicate where tax monies are going.

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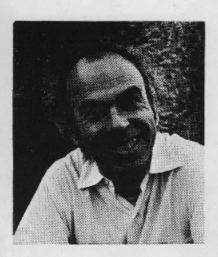
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HISTORY LESSON

That little ape that came down from a tree and used a stick on his enemy and called aloud to his family to show what a great brave ape was he made followers out of you and me.

That little ape that got caught in the rain and used some branches to cover his brain and thought up gods for rain and for tree to explain away the mystery made worshipers out of you and me.

That little ape that had more than enough and didn't know what to do with the stuff and instead of handing it out for free put others to work for a salary made employees out of you and me. That little ape that schemed and planned and put a fence around some land and told his followers they'd be free if they fought his next-door enemy made soldiers out of you and me.

That ape whose stick is his bravery whose ignorance makes theology whose avarice makes wage-slavery and makes a case for nationality makes monkeys out of you and me.

STATEMENT FROM AARON H. SHOVERS D.D.S. of Long Beach, Ca.

"I believe the Peace and Freedom Party has been a tremendous influence for good in the United States because it has aroused the interest of the many minorities who have been neglected by the other political parties."





THOMAS E. MATHEWS - 17th Congress

Born January 13, 1932 in Kansas City, Mo. Moved to Calif. in 1935; lived in L.A. and the South Bay area since then. Graduated from Redondo Union Hi School in 1950. Served in the U.S. Air Force from 1950 to 1954 as a mechanic and flight engineer. Pursued flying as a career and is presently flying as a co-pilot for United Air Lines. He joined the P&F Party in 1969 and has been working steadily ever since in community and peace efforts. He was one of the original group to help form the Long Beach Free Clinic, and is still Honorary President of the Clinic. His work in the P&F Party has been varied according to the needs of the group. He is currently serving as the President of the Long Beach Chapter of the P&F Party.

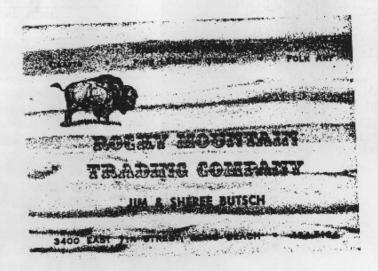
The Feace and Freedom Party urges voters in the 17th Congressional District in Torrance, Compton, Gardena, San Pedro and Wilmington, and all other gerrymandered cities and unincorporated districts to elect Thomas E. Mathews as their representative in Congress. A vote for Mathews will be a vote to end the war in Southeast Asia and a mandate to the U.S.

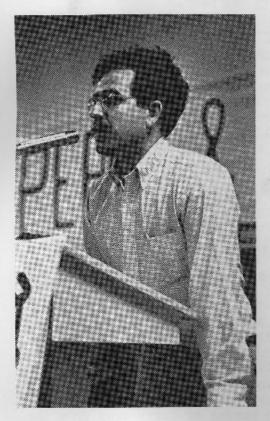
Government to end racism, repression, and imperialist aggression. The candidate endorsed by CRS has a life long shoddy record of machine politics backed up by complete neglect of the significant minority population and the poor.



C. T. WEBER - State Controller In 1967 he registered P & F. He is running as a candidate for State Controller so that he can organize and build the P&F Party on a statewide level. His main campaign objective is to point out the corruption and contradictions of the two party system. Weber is a graduate of El Camino College and is presently doing graduate work at Cal State Long Beach in history. He was a delegate to both the founding convention of the party and to the National Convention in Ann Arbor, Mich. In 1968 he served as a PFP National Organizer in the states of Wyoming, Utah and Colorado and was a PFP Congressional Candidate. In 1969 he represented PFP as a candidate for the Long Beach City Council. Weber played an important role in successfully organizing the statewide convention in Long Beach. He has also been actively involved in organizing support and demonstrations for the United Farm Workers. Weber wants to shift the burden of taxes away from the working people and place it on those who get wealthy off this system.







RICARDO ROMO - Governor

Since 1968 Romo has been organizing to involve Chicanos in movement activities. Romo sees the day when Chicanos and Blacks will join Whites who are dissatisfied with the Democrats and Republicans under the banner of "Peace and Freedom, a humanistic party for the oppressed".

Romo's involvement in La Raza causes has been long and intensive. While attending college he helped organize food caravans and other supportive activities for Cesar Chavez' United Farm Workers strike. He also served as press secretary to Reies Tijerina, helping to bring the Land Question of the Southwest to national attention. Romo has traveled widely in Canada and the Southwest with Tijerina organizing greater Chicano and Indian unity and was instrumental in establishing the Chicano Conference in California.

A significant development of his campaign has been his winning of the endorsement of the statewide Mexican American Political Association (MAPA). For the first time in its ten year history, MAPA passed over Unruh, the Democrat, to support the first Chicano candidate for governor in this state under the American flag. Romo's candidacy for governor is based on his desire "to effect a political conscious-

ness within the Chicano community; to build and sustain an ongoing third alternative to the existing, established parties; TO BRING ABOUT A HUMANISTIC REVOLUTION!"



ROBERT SCHEER - U.S. SENATE

Scheer came out of the New Left Movement in the early 60's and has been an editor of RAMPARTS magazine for 5 years. In 1966 he ran as a radical candidate in the 7th Congressional District Democratic primary and received 48% of the vote.

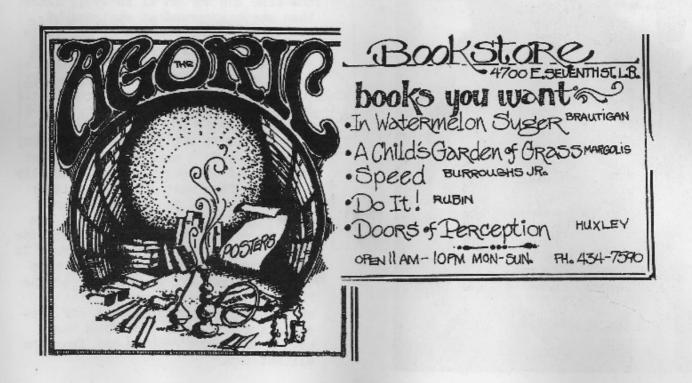
Scheer is one of the few movement people who have had the opportunity to travel extensively in the Third World and has provided important first-hand reports on the International Liberation Struggle. He has made numerous trips to Southeast Asia, and published his findings in a best-selling study entitled "How the United States Got Involved in Vietnam". He co-authored with Professor Maurice Zeitlin "Cuba: An American Tragedy".

Scheer states, "My notion of winning is not to get to the U.S. Senate to serve on some bloody committee. A campaign that raises the fundamental issues, that does not sell out to expediency, cannot lose in the traditional sense because, every vote it wins is a victory over manipulation and the blurring of issues through media "packaged campaigns".

He criticizes the liberals who chastized the Peace and Freedom Party as lacking seriousness when it ran Cleaver for President, because nothing could have dealt with the issue more seriously, since the primary issues in the nation are racism and

poverty.

"We need a revolutionary party, we need revolutionary organizations, and we need a profound and serious movement. No one—be he a professor specializing in Southeast Asian studies or a man on the street—can explain why it is so difficult for this society to get out of a war it claims it doesn't want, unless one returns to the theory of imperialism. The accident theory just doesn't work." says Scheer.





JOHN DONOHUE - U.S. Congress, 32nd District
John Donohue, 45, is the Peace and Freedom candidate for the U.S. Congress in the
32nd District. He lives with his wife and
daughter in Long Beach. A Peace and Freedom
activist since December 1967, he has been a
delegate to the Richmond Convention in 1968,
the Los Angeles Peace and Freedom County Council, and the recent Long Beach Convention.

Donohue, a veteran of World War II, states that his anti-war feelings and activities date back to the late 1940s, and have continued through participation in all the major peace demonstrations held in Los Angeles

and San Francisco.

"I would hope to make my campaign a rallying point for all repressed and unrepresented people: Blacks, Chicanos, Indians, poor, long-hairs, students, ex-convicts, etc., so that they all may have an opportunity to express their grievances to their government which has been so long denied them. It is also my hope to alert the American people to the grave dangers that we face due to the wave of brutal repression in the name of "law and order", that threatens to engulf us all in a

totalitarian holocaust. First the Panthers and Chicanos, now the hippies and students, then YOU!" states Donohue.



SHARON SIMPSON - 39th Assembly

Sharon is at present a senior in sociology at Cal State Long Beach. She joined the Peace and Freedom Party at the time she turned 21 in 1967. Since then she has served as chairman of Campus Peace and Freedom at Cal State Long Beach and Vice-President of the Peace and Freedom Party of Long Beach. She is also one of the six original founders of the Long Beach Free Clinic which was started last year by the

P&F Party.

"I didn't get involved right away because I didn't understand that what P&F asks of its registrants is totally different from what the Democrats or Republicans ask. To be a good party member in a two-party system all you have to do is vote straight across the party ticket once every few years. To be a good P&F Party member, you have to be involved all year long, because P&F is a grass roots party. That's what is most important about P&F. Decisions and actions come from the bottom--from the people--not from the elitest top."



JOHN HAAG - Lieutenant Governor

The Peace and Freedom Party candidate for the office of Lieutenant Governor is John Haag, 39, a founder of the Party and a full time PFP organizer since the Party's inception in 1967. During 1968, he helped organize the PFP in several western and mid-western states. As a direct result, the Iowa PFP achieved ballot status and the Illinois PFP developed a statewide organization which is now based in Evanston.

Haag used his campaign for the State Senate in 1968 to raise the issue of community control of community affairs. He then implemented the PFP platform of self-determination by organizing the Free Venice project, which continued to work all year round on the same issues raised during the election campaign. Haag and other PFP members published a monthly community newspaper, called public meetings, circulated petitions and mobilized demonstrations around police repression, city-sponsored

removal of poverty residents and other Los Angeles projects imposed on the Venice community undemocratically. During 1969 PFP registrations in Venice increased 41%. The Free Venice project showed results by delays in redevelopment plans, a decrease in police harassment of residents, establishment of a community house and cancellation of a PFP-opposed freeway link through Venice. Until August of this year Haag was chairman of the PFP state central committee, reviving statewide communications and helping to secure candidates for state and local offices.

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JANE GORDON - 28th Congressional District

Jane Gordon, 26, the PFP candidate for Congress in the 28th District, has been active in Peace and Freedom since the original registration drive in 1967. After the drive to qualify for the ballot, Jane helped organize the West L.A. PFP clubs before leaving to try to get PFP on the ballot in several midwestern states.

Since August of 1968, she has been active in the Venice PFP, the Free Venice Organizing Committee and its fight against the Master Plan, the Canal Emergency Action Committee and many other community activities. She also has been a regular writer and worker on the BEACHHEAD, community newspaper.

Jane says, "I am the only anti-war candidate running in the 28th Congr. District. Neither the Democrat

nor I will beat the Republican incumbent this year. But I intend to show the liberals in the district that voting for a compromise 'Johnson-Humphrey' Democrat who will lose on a platform of self-defeating status quo-ism, is not as effective as voting for a clear alternative to the present mess. And working all year round to make that alternative a reality."

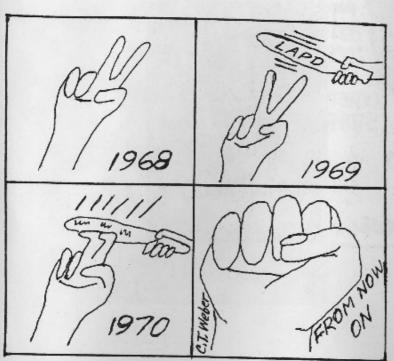
"As PFP grows, more and more people will begin to act on the understanding that voting once a year is not enough to make the changes needed in this country. More people will re-direct their energies toward organizing to deal with problems of their everyday lives--taxes, smog, schools, war, racism, urban inhumanity. As people become better organized, they will take back the power to run their own lives now held by the politicians and their bosses. Then it won't matter who they vote for on election day, because priorities will be ordered for the benefit of all the people, not for the vested-interest groups who presently run the show," Jane Gordon states.



Some may think that it is rather amusing that a shoe salesman is running for Congress. I feel, however, that it is exactly right for the incredibly turbulent times in which we now are living. What we do not need is more of the same type of representation or rather mis-representation that we now have. We have enough successful business men and lawyers in Congress. They have had their opportunities and have been found desperately wanting. We no longer have a representative democracy. This country is ruled by a small group of elite fat cats, sanctioned by a so-called silent majority of materialistically minded middle class inhumanely riding on the backs of millions of poor, desperately deprived people who find themselves completely without economic or political power.

Relegated to the scrap heap of society simply on the basis of race or economic deprivation, these people are kept in this position by means of repression that becomes more and more brutal. No amount of reforms will relieve this situation. Nothing short of complete change in the political and economic system will assure, for each citizen, the dignity and rights to which he is entitled. The Peace and Freedom Party in its platform supports the struggle for self-determination now being waged by all minority groups: Blacks, Chicanos, Indians, Gays, Women and Poor People.

We must recognize that it is the movement of these minority people to gain power and self-determination which is at the root of the present turmoil in which we now find ourselves. We must further recognize that this movement is a struggle for justice and human dignity and requires no "outside agitation" to set it in motion. We must also try to reach those who constitute the so-called "silent majority"; those who think that they have "made it" in the system. They must be told that they too are being used and oppressed by the system. Nixon came to power on the promise to bring the nation together. He immediately sent out hatchet man Agnew to do the opposite. Black against white, young against old, worker vs unemployed, intellectuals against hardhats, small property owner vs welfare recipient; the old divide and rule play and it still works. They must realize that unless the system works for all that it will work for none. Everyday millions of children are required to repeat the following great lie "one nation indivisable with liberty and justice for all". I would like the Government of the United States to stop making a liar out of my child.







by Susan Welte In last month's NEWSLETTER, this office issued a frantic plea for HELP! We begged everyone to part with their carefully hoarded Blue Chip Stamps so that we

could eventually obtain a rather modest Smith-Corona Portable Electric Typewriter for 70 books. Now a lot of people must have thought we were out of our minds to try and obtain that many books, but even the skeptics mailed in their stamps. The L.A. Free Press even heard about it and implored their vast audience to mail stamps. The drive became a movement and stamps began to pour in from all over the state. In the first month of our drive we have collected and placed into books (we shall never forget the taste!) 146 books worth of Blue Chip Stamps.

Now I can see the dials whirling in your head and you are probably waiting to hear all about our new portable typewriter. Well, we do not have a new portable typewriter. For 54 more books than we presently have we can obtain a full-size IBM Selectric typewriter. This is their very best typewriter. It's the one where all the type is on this little ball instead of keys and you can get different type-faces. This opens up a new dimension in leaflets. Are we out of our minds? Prchably. But, we feel you can do it. The entire success of this stamp drive depends on YOU. Not on all the other people who read this Newsletter, but on YOU! I mean, how would you feel if you later heard the whole thing fell through for lack of 12 books, which happened to be the exact amount you were hoarding in your mattress. We have even had people part with as many of 14 books for this typewriter. Think of how long it must have taken to save 14 books, and then to be willing to give them to the Party. If the thought has occurred to you that we may exceed our goal of 200, do not worry about additional books we receive. We can always work on purchasing some of the different type-balls for our new typewriter. Or perhaps a VW Micro-Bus, the possibilities are boundless. (an offset printing press?) Build the Party through Blue Chip Stamps! Power to the People!

The total cost of this Newsletter will be about \$400 (\$200 to print, roughly \$150 to mail it out, and about \$50 to pay postage on returns). Labor is donated.



CALENDAR

October 22 - Film "Chicago -- The Seasons Change". CSCLB-LH 151 - 7 pm - \$1.00

October 24 - Bob Scheer with Elaine Brown. Rally fund-raiser for Revolutionary Peoples Constitutional Convention. Embassy Aud.LA. Donation \$1.00,8pm

October 24 - Long Beach Walk Against Hunger. Phone: 434-2233

October 28 - Jack Hampton, PFP Candidate for State Treasurer. "Corruption in Government. CSCLB Speakers Platform. Noon

November 3 - Embassy Auditorium, 847 South Grand Ave., LA. 8 pm. Election night headquarters for PFP. Everyone invited. \$1.50 donation requested.

PEACE AND FREEDOM PARTY OFFICE OPENED IN COMPTON

The Mid-Cities Area Peace and Freedom Party office at 1040 E. Compton Boulevard in Compton is open and having informal party meetings each Monday at 8 pm. This office will offer draft counseling and register voters. All members and others interested in the Party are cordially invited to attend our weekly meetings or visit us at the office.

The Church of Christian Unity would welcome attendance at Sunday Service at 10:00 am and 7:30 pm. at 1040 E. Compton Blvd. Compton between Santa Fe. & L.B. Blvd.

MEETINGS

P & F, Long Beach, 605 Redondo Friday 8 pm - 433-4381

Compton P&F, 1040 E. Compton Blvd. Monday 8 pm

Welfare Rights, Eastside Neighborhood Ctr. Anaheim & Junipero, Friday 1 pm

Welfare Law Class 5148 Atlantic Ave., Tue. 7:30 pm Phones: 428-2567, 423-0953 Long Beach Citizens for Peace 6495 El Jardin. Oct. 26, 8 pm. Ge. 0-1566

Harbor Area Citizens for Peace 1438 So. Pacific Ave., San Pedro, 831-4566

Carmelitos Welfare Rights First & Third Tuesdays of each month Phone: 423-0953

Women's Lib, Monday nights 7:30 pm Self-defense classes - Mon & Wed nights 848 Molino 7 pm

COMMUNITY THINGS

Peace and Freedom of Long Beach, 605 Redondo - 433-4381

Family Store - 2626 E. Anaheim - Around noon to nine - 433-4441

Free Clinic - 1228 Pine - 437-2245

Free Press - 1255 E. 10th Street, 90813

People of Orphalese - 3320 E. Anaheim - Open Friday and Saturday nights

New Directions School - Box 2881, LB 90801

People's Free Store and Switchboard - 1183 E. 10th St.-591-2401

The Phinius - 1812 E. Anaheim - Wed. Thru' Sun. 11-6, Fri. 11-9; Cl. Mon & Tue.

The Volt Gallery - 241 & 243 E. 7th Street

The Wheatstone - Discount records - 5473 Atlantic in North Long Beach - 423-6001

Douglass House - Creative writing, theater, photography. 938-4158, 437-4380

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BUM RAP #2 by Jim Kauffman

U.S. Senate and House Committees have approved bills limiting the amount of money a candidate can spend on his campaign. But you'll be seeing their kissers on TV plenty often anyway. That is, you'll be seeing the "major" candidates: They'll be getting the time free.

Somewhere in the fine print these bills eliminate "equal time". The Senate has already passed its version. It won't be long till the establishment-oriented broadcast medias start giving their Demo-Repub friends a bunch of free publicity. But you probably won't be seeing the people's candidates.

We all recognize how loathe TV stations are to giving Peace and Freedom people* and other "minor" candidates air time. You see, the reasoning is purported to be that candidates from the Demo-Repub party are the only ones who can gather public support; thus, third party candidates are less newsworthy.

As you can see, the reasoning involved is circular, and P&F believes a fairer picture of what's happening could be gained by starting at a different point on the

circle.

From the beginning the political parties with the big money and the powerful friends (and powerful bosses) have gotten the big play in the media. A third party may have a stand which would gain wide support if that stand were known to the public (and if all indoctrination through the boob-tube didn't run counter to that stand). But now it seems the public will not see P&F or other third parties on the media because the public is not interested in those third parties because the public has never heard anything on the media to interest them in those parties before.

An analogy: Top 40 radio rock music stations claim they play only top-selling records. Thus, the public decides. More circular logic. Payola-taking station execs and others in the big-money scene pick from hundreds of new releases a handful to push.

and these become top-sellers. The public is sold garbage.

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