



America. Freedom was the original idea.

In 1776 Thomas Jefferson wrote in the Declaration of Independence, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." These words summed up the motives and ideals of the American revolutionaries.

In 1984, David Bergland and hundreds of other Libertarian candidates are saying that society can and should be run by these ideals. Individuals have the right to control their own lives, and must take responsibility for their actions.

Government today is run according to the opposite principle. Individuals are treated as the property of the state and are taxed, regulated, and prevented from acting according to their own judgment. Peace and prosperity are threatened every day by bureaucratic meddling at home and overseas, whether the President is a Democrat or a Republican.

Libertarians, however, offer a real change: full respect for your independence and integrity as an individual, an end to government trespassing on your property, and security for all your peaceful and honest activities in your business, family life, church or temple. The dynamic new Libertarian movement is bringing together people from a wide variety of political backgrounds — people who see that economic and personal liberty are two sides of the same coin and who are willing to stand up for their beliefs.

A vote in 1984 for either the Republican incumbent or his Democratic challenger will simply tell these traditional establishment politicians that you're pleased with what they've been doing to you for years. A vote for either is wasted.

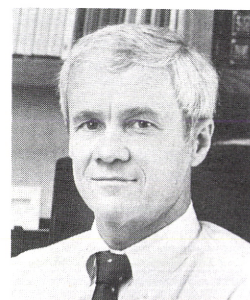
Vote for David Bergland on November 6 to send the bureaucrats and politicians a message they can't mistake for a mandate for more of the same.

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Bergland's Libertarian stands on the issues . . .



The largest source of revenue for the Federal government is the income tax. The Internal Revenue Service collects this tax in the only way it can — using arbitrary and tyrannical methods. Thus, it is no accident that the Internal Revenue Service is the closest thing America has to a government terrorist organization. The income tax must be repealed, and the IRS must be abolished.

There was no permanent income tax before 1914, and the country prospered. Since then, the federal bureaucracy has been our major growth industry.

Inflation The government, specifically its Federal Reserve Bank, causes inflation. In essence, this is done by printing paper money. Bankers, bureaucrats, and government contractors make a good living off the inflation process. Those on pensions and earning wages are the victims. What America needs is a halt to the printing of paper money and a return to a dollar that's sound and honest — literally, a dollar that's as good as gold.

Rights & Liberties Despite Reagan's 1980 campaign promises to America's youth that he would end draft registration, he has instead prosecuted and jailed young men who have not registered. The draft itself is an intolerable use of slaves to defend freedom. The draft violates the most basic human right to control our own bodies and lives.

If we are to enjoy the right to pursue happiness that is enshrined in the Declaration of Independence, we must have privacy from government spies and protection from criminals. Yet the record of the Reagan years has been stepped-up government spying on American citizens. At the same time, Reagan is covering up — in the name of secrecy — government activities that the taxpayer pays for. Even the fundamental human right of self-protection is today threatened both by Reagan who has failed to restore our right to bear arms and by his Democratic opponent who would violate this right with further gun bans.

Education The most pressing personal concern of America's families is the miseducation of our children. The enormous budgets of government schools never seem to be enough to provide decent schooling, and literacy is declining as fast as crime in the schools is rising. There is only one answer: separation of education and state, abolition of the tremendous tax load to support these schools, and freedom for parents to educate our children as we see fit. Ghetto parents have the most to gain from freedom in education, since it is children there who are getting the least out of the present system.

Unemployment Over 8 million workers are currently unemployed. Countless more have given up looking and are not included in the statistics. Politicians call for more power for themselves and more of our money to solve the unemployment problem. The politicians conveniently ignore their own role in creating the problem: Minimum-wage laws make employing someone at \$3.00 an hour a crime. Government-created union restrictions and occupational licensing close the door on countless individuals seeking work. "Jobs programs" only take money out of the productive private sector to put people into unproductive public jobs. If the poor are to stand on their own two feet, then we must stop the politicians and bureaucrats from breaking their legs. End government interference in the marketplace, and the unemployment problem will disappear.

Welfare Individual liberty must be accompanied by individual responsibility. As government controls and taxes are destroying our liberty, they are undermining our sense of responsibility as well. Banks, big businesses, and corporate farmers are enjoying bailouts, subsidies, and other welfare for the rich. The government has set up expensive, corrupt, and demeaning welfare programs for the poor as a substitute for the opportunity and upward mobility of a free market economy. These programs have severely damaged the traditional American spirit of charity toward the truly needy. The welfare system currently spends over \$40,000 per year for each poor family in the country, and fritters away more than 80% of it on bureaucracy, providing little to the poor themselves. Welfare should be privatized, and the taxes supporting the government's poverty industry should be abolished.

Foreign Policy Our foreign policy must protect the liberty of the American people by guarding American territory from attack. Instead, the U.S. government is trying to act as the world's policeman. An estimated \$229 billion (75% of Reagan's 1985 military budget) is devoted to meddling and entanglements overseas in Western Europe, the Far East, the Middle East, and Central America. The U.S. government has spent over \$2.35 trillion since 1946 on foreign aid and international bailout agencies like the IMF and the World Bank.

We should stop pouring American blood and treasure down ratholes in Grenada, Lebanon, and El Salvador. A fully adequate defense of American territory combined with policies of armed neutrality and no foreign wars will best protect our lives and liberties.

Nuclear Arms The U.S. government now has nine times the explosive power needed to effectively destroy the Soviet Union. Solely on its undetectable submarines at sea, the United States currently has enough destructive power to obliterate the Soviet Union. The Soviet government has a similar ability to destroy us many times over. The present U.S. military buildup — begun during the Democratic Carter administration — is robbing Americans blind and threatening the destruction of the world. Instead, we must take active steps toward mutual arms reduction, including sensible steps on our own such as retirement of all U.S. land-based missiles. These missiles are simply tempting targets that invite an attack on our homeland.

Taxes Taxation is legalized theft, pure and simple. It is also the ultimate reason that all government programs fail. These programs have no equivalent to the profit test, by which private groups and individuals can measure their success. Government waste, corruption, inefficiency, and failure are not a result of bumbling or stupid people running the programs. They are a result of financing of these programs via taxes — a process which robs our wallets while it removes any true measure of accomplishment and all incentive to improve productivity.

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