

Libertarian Party...

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Salem said the party is now the third largest political party in every state.

It embraces laissez faire capitalism to extremes, Salem said. Some libertarians go so far as to propose private ownership of streets and highways, he said.

Salem said the party can't be categorized as conservative or liberal because it doesn't have a particular line of thought. One of the party's major platform planks Salem said, is a strong anti-interventionist policy.

"The average American spends more money every year defending West Germany than the average West German spends defending West Germany," he said. "We just don't think that's right."

The party isn't nationalistic, though, in that it favors individual exchange on the international level to iron out foreign problems, Sittig said.

Sittig said the party defies traditional labels. "There's not a single socio-economic

grouping into which you could classify these people," he said.

Many party members are upper middle class, theoretic intellectuals and "new" activists, Sittig said. They aren't conservative businessmen or traditional liberal activists, he said.

Sittig sees little future for political parties outside of the "big two."

"The only chance would be if a black political party would spring up," Sittig said.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson's brief affair

with the Democratic Party, though, may have ruined that possibility, he said. And American independents, though they are many, are too diverse to band together politically.

"American voters are unwilling to vote for anyone other than who the major parties give them," Sittig said. "They are not inclined to support third-party candidates."

Bergland is not scheduled to come to Nebraska, Salem said, but he may visit in October.

Assault . . .

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• Watch windows and other areas of potential entry. When a window is open, a screen will not provide much protection. The suspect in the Crime Stoppers' case mentioned above often gained entry by cutting through the screen or by lifting it out. Having an upper level apartment doesn't guarantee security — there often

are trash cans, dumpsters or even maintenance ladders nearby that could easily be climbed on to help provide access.

• Don't open the door to strangers. If a person comes to the door asking for help, call the police for them, but never let them in.

• Know your neighbors and who "belongs" in your neighbor-

hood. Take the time to know who lives in your apartment complex and be aware of any strangers lurking in the hallways or near doors or homes.

• Never advertise the fact that you are alone. When answering the phone or door late at night, let the person on the other end hear you say something like, "don't bother to get up, Jim, I'll get it."

Include a man's name on the mailbox so it looks like you have a roommate.

People who are concerned about the security of their apartment can call the Crime Prevention Bureau, 471-7261 and request a home security survey. The bureau will, free of charge, look at your home and point out vulnerable areas.

If you are threatened by a sexual assault, the most important thing to do is to remain calm and use your head — these are the best weapons against the attacker, police said.

It also is important to shed the attitude that "this will never happen to me." Plan what you could do and what you would be capable of doing if you find yourself a victim of assault.

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G.I. Joe . . .

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Dugan said he once paid about \$5 for a rare doll, but now pays up to \$75. Although price and scarcity have become big handicaps, Dugan said he not only will continue to collect the dolls, but plans to write a book on all the types of original G.I. Joes Hasbro manufactured. When Hasbro ran the dolls off the assembly line, it didn't keep track of the models of dolls it made, he said.

Dugan said that when he began his search, he could find little information about the action figures. Most of his information came from magazine articles and a doll book he bought at Nebraska Bookstore.

Later, Dugan found the book that he relied on for almost all his information had several flaws, making it practically useless to him.

The author of the book listed 52 different G.I. Joes, Dugan said. But from what he has been able to determine, there are 87 different figures. The book lists Joes never made and leaves out about 30 that were made, he said.

Dugan said he is able to trace the G.I. Joe series by the patent and trademark symbols Hasbro had on the dolls as the dolls matured on the market. For example, when Hasbro first produced the dolls, it was not one of

the top 100 companies in the country, Dugan said. It's first series of dolls had the trademark of the name and patent for the doll pending. In 1965, the trademark of the doll was copyrighted but the patent still was pending. In 1967, the company outlined its patent.

All the G.I. Joe bodies were made in the United States; the heads and clothes were made in Japan and Hong Kong, he said.

The first dolls had painted hair, while later dolls had fuzzy hair and beards. All the dolls are jointed — with 21 parts that move in all human positions, Dugan said. The later dolls had to be made child-proof because their parts were so easy to remove, he said. When plastic became expensive, a lighter-weight plastic was used.

Hasbro originally produced Joes in four versions — soldier, sailor, pilot and marine. The doll's face was made up of a composite of 20 Congressional Medal Honor winners.

One reason the doll became popular was because children were able to buy additional attachments to complete the set. G. I. Joe could have his own jeep, fighter plane or helicopter. He could fight such enemies as gorillas, tigers or Russian soldiers.

As U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War increased and public sentiment against the war grew, Hasbro changed its G.I. Joe soldier concept to "adventure team" — the company added other figures such as G.I. nurse and astronauts.

The company also made Joe available in other nationalities including French, Australian, German, Japanese, Russian and English.

Dugan said he has collected about 70 of the 87 Joes made and he has friends on "both sides of the state" looking for dolls to complete the collection.

Dugan described the collecting of G.I. Joes as a "treasure hunt — the more you look, the more you find."

He said he would like to collect all of the dolls and dress them in their proper attire. When he completes the project, he hopes to display the dolls in a museum so "others can enjoy them."

People don't think guys collect dolls, but it has mushroomed into something bigger than that, he said.

It's a serious project, something I have to get done. It'll drive me nuts until I get all of them," he said.

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