



FREE CONGRESS ANNOUNCES THE PUBLICATION OF THE NEXT CONSERVATISM

Many of the ideas are controversial. The authors seek to engender a national debate over some of them. In their view, it remains to be seen if conservatism can regain the initiative which was gradually lost over the past few years. When there is a vacuum, liberals always are prepared to rush in. When President Reagan took office the majority of Americans believed that government was the problem. Today the majority of Americans are convinced that government is the solution. It isn't, of course, but by time the public again is convinced that government is the problem it may well be too late. Conservatives have given up some of their principles in order to retain power. Consequently, the public has lost confidence in the conservative movement. As one who devoted most of his adult life to the conservative cause, the late Mr. Weyrich was saddened to recognize this. Yet recovery can't begin unless the problem is acknowledged. The authors hope the book will ignite a debate over some of the ideas advanced. Only by that means and the ensuing intellectual ferment will conservatives be able to begin to recover. It remains to be seen if conservatives again can seize the moral high ground and frame the issues so that conservatives can regain the initiative in near future. The authors hope this book does its part in the battle for new ideas. An optimistic future may depend on it.