

Reagan Wins

Election Summary Presidential Race

79 Percent of Precincts

Carter Reagan Anderson

Popular Vote

28,208,078 33,953,084 4,222,404
42% 51% 6%

Electoral Vote

45 462 0

Virginia Vote

1,828 of 1,874 Precincts

740,378 969,169 91,154
40% 53% 5%

REPRESENTATIVES

1st District

154 of 174 Precincts

Trible (R) 123,645
Grant (I) 12,950

4th District

168 of 181 Precincts

Daniel (R) 86,743
Jenkins (D) 55,906

8th District

147 of 149 Precincts

Parris (R) 92,247
Harris (D) 89,816

2nd District

82 of 83 Precincts

Whitehurst (R) 95,913
Morrison (I) 10,820

9th District

260 of 269 Precincts

Wampler (R) 113,519
Ferguson (D) 50,056

3rd District

137 of 137 Precincts

Bliley (R) 96,619
Mapp (D) 60,960
Carwile (I) 19,749
Turney (I) 9,832

10th District

159 of 162 Precincts

Wolf (R) 105,554
Fisher (D) 98,568

Proposed Constitutional Amendments 1,581 of 1,874 Precincts

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| ☒ YES | ☐ NO | 1. Allow Legislature to reconvene to consider overriding governor's vetoes?
For: 645,551; Against: 440,520 |
| ☒ YES | ☐ NO | 2. Decrease debt limit for cities, towns?
For: 783,124; Against: 388,985 |
| ☒ YES | ☐ NO | 3. Permit some personal property tax exemptions for disabled, elderly?
For 942,213; Against: 219,337 |
| ☒ YES | ☐ NO | 4. Authorize tax exemptions for firms that have replaced oil or gas-generating equipment since 1975?
For: 744,241; Against: 388,732 |

SOME POLL TAKERS say they detected last-minute surge of support for Ronald Reagan. Page A-7.

BOTH CONGRESSMEN convicted of Abscam bribery charges are defeated. Page A-7.

TAX CUT PROPOSALS encounter mixed success in 18 states. Page A-7.

Virginia Goes Early For GOP

By Dale Eisman

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Ronald Reagan, on his way to a big win in the presidential race nationwide, overwhelmed President Carter in Virginia yesterday and led Republican congressional candidates to a sweep of contested races.

The 69-year-old former California governor and one-time movie star seized the Virginia lead in the first returns and built his advantage through the evening. Independent candidate John B. Anderson, never a significant factor in the state, trailed far behind both major party contenders, gathering about 5 percent of the vote.

With 1,828 of the state's 1,874 precincts reporting, about 98 percent, the totals were:

Carter — 740,378 or 40 percent.

Reagan — 969,169 or 53 percent.

Anderson — 91,154 or 5 percent.

Reagan's victory was the biggest piece of good news on a night filled with glad tidings for state Republicans. The GOP candidate in the 3rd Congressional District, former Richmond mayor Thomas J. Bliley Jr., rolled to an expected easy win over Democrat John A. Mapp and two other candidates and Republicans Stanford E. Parris and Frank R. Wolf upset incumbent Democrats Herbert E. Harris II and Joseph L. Fisher in the 8th and 10th Districts, respectively.

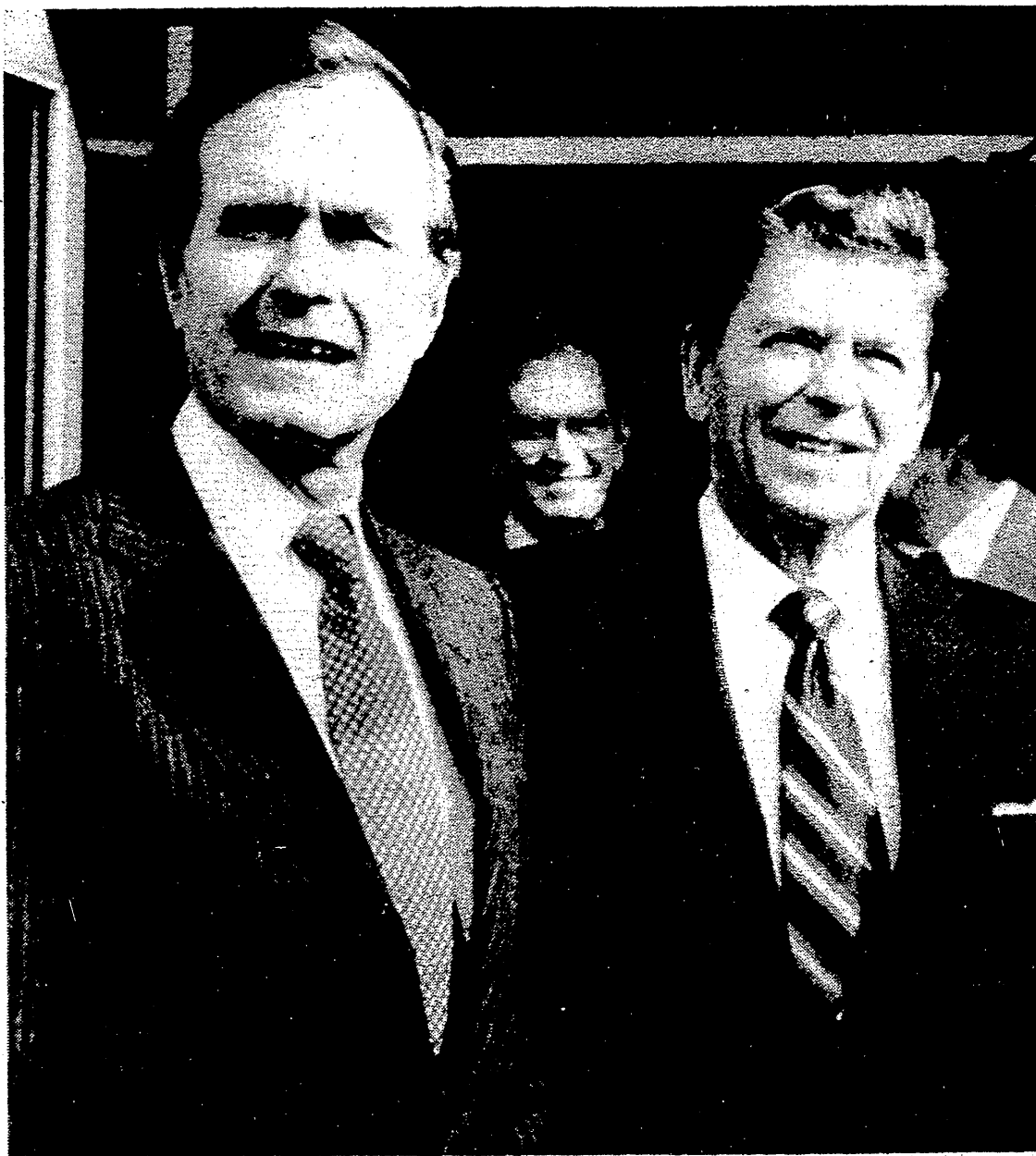
The victories mean that Republicans will hold a 9-1 advantage over Democrats in state congressional seats in the next Congress.

Restrained Celebration

The big Republican victories touched off a surprisingly restrained celebration of party faithful at the Hotel John Marshall in downtown Richmond last night. The state Reagan coordinator, John Alderson of Daleville, claimed victory about 9:20 p.m., two hours after television networks had awarded the state to the Republican. Attorney General Marshall Coleman said the returns show "a good outlook for Republicans" in future statewide contests.

Also jubilant at the outcome was the Rev. Jerry Falwell of Lynchburg, the fundamentalist minister whose political action group, Moral Majority, played an active, and controversial, role in the Reagan campaign. "I think that Moral Majority and other similar conservative religious groups in America have successfully brought millions of church people out of

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UPI Telephoto

Republicans, George Bush, Ronald Reagan, the Next Vice President and President

Magnuson, McGovern Ousted; GOP Wins, Leads for 9 Seats

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic senators in Washington, South Dakota, Iowa and Indiana fell to Republican challengers yesterday as the GOP bid strongly to turn Ronald Reagan's conservative landslide into control of the Senate for the first time in a quarter-century.

Veterans George McGovern in South Dakota, Warren Magnuson in Washington and Birch Bayh in Indiana all fell victim to the Republican tide. John Culver in Iowa and John Durkin in New Hampshire also lost.

In all, Republicans were victorious or leading for nine seats held by Democrats, including

seven where incumbents were seeking new terms.

North Carolina's Democratic Sen. Robert Morgan was trailing GOP college professor John East by a fraction of a percentage point.

In Vermont, Sen. Patrick Leahy also was in trouble, falling behind early and then taking a slim lead over businessman Stewart Ledbetter. The story was similar in Colorado, where Sen. Gary Hart took the lead from GOP Secretary of State Mary Estill Buchanan.

The only Republican incumbent in trouble was Barry Goldwater, a pre-election favorite locked in a close race with Democrat Bill Schulz.

Sen. Paul Laxalt won easy re-election in Nevada, and Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., also was returned.

Democrats held a 59-41 lead in the old Senate, including Virginia's independent Harry F. Byrd Jr., who votes with the Democratic party on organizational matters.

A switch of nine seats would create a tie. In that case, according to Senate officials, Vice President George Bush could vote, giving the GOP effective control.

A switch of 10 seats would give outright control to the GOP.

The Republicans last controlled the Senate when President Eisenhower sat in the White House.

Democrats were in trouble all over the country as Reagan rode a conservative landslide to the White House.

Culver lost his bid for a second term to Rep. Charles Grassley, a conservative congressman with the backing of national conservative groups and anti-abortion organizations.

Magnuson, the 75-year-old chairman of the Appropriations Committee, fell before Slade Gorton, the state's moderate attorney general.

McGovern, the 1972 Democratic presidential candidate, conceded defeat in his race with Rep. James Abdnor, who was supported by national conservative and anti-abortion groups.

Bayh, seeking a fourth term from Indiana, lost to Rep. Dan Quayle, a 33-year-old congressman from Huntington.

In Idaho, conservative GOP Rep. Steve Symms held a big, early lead over Sen. Frank Church, a four-term incumbent who heads the Foreign Relations Committee.

In Alabama, former prisoner of war Jeremiah Denton bid to

become the first Republican senator since Reconstruction as he defeated Jim Folsom Jr.

Republicans retained a seat in Pennsylvania, where Arlen Specter defeated former Pittsburgh Mayor Peter Flaherty in a race to succeed the retiring Sen. Richard Schweiker.

In New York, GOP candidate Alfonse D'Amato, a Long Island political leader, defeated Democratic Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman. The Republican incumbent running as a Liberal, Jacob Javits, was third.

In Florida, GOP candidate

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Carter Concedes Quickly

From Wire Dispatches

Ronald Reagan, riding a tide of economic discontent against Jimmy Carter and promising "an era of national renewal," won the presidency yesterday by sweeping to victories in the South and the crucial states of the industrial Middle West.

The Republican challenger built the foundation for an electoral landslide by taking away Carter's Southern base, penetrating his expected strength in the East and taking command of the Middle West, which both camps had made the principal testing ground.

A race that had been predicted as close never was, from the moment the first returns came in.

Reagan said in Los Angeles that he wants to "try and tap the great American spirit that opened up this completely undeveloped continent from coast to coast and made it a great nation."

Reagan, appearing with his family before a cheering crowd of supporters in the Century Plaza hotel, said, "Together, we're going to do what has to be done. We're going to put America back to work again. We'll survive the problems we face right now."

Carter, who had labored hard for a comeback re-election victory patterned after Harry S. Truman's in 1948, instead became the first elected incumbent to lose since Herbert Hoover in 1932.

Carter conceded defeat before 10 p.m., while the polls were still open in some western states.

Carter appeared before a gathering of his campaign workers at the Sheraton Hotel in Washington to read a short concession speech.

A band played "Hail to the Chief" as Carter, smiling broadly, told cheering supporters: "I can't stand here tonight and say that it doesn't hurt."

"The people of the United States have made their choice and of course I accept their decision," he said. "I have a deep appreciation, however, of the system that allows the people to make their decision."

Of Reagan, Carter said: "I look forward to working closely with him in the next few weeks... we will have a very close transition period."

Carter telephoned Reagan in Los Angeles with congratulations, as did independent John Anderson.

Reagan, a two-term California governor, took a fast lead in the election that would make him 40th president of the United States, restoring Republican

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Bliley In, Harris, Fisher Out as GOP Takes 9 Seats

By Shelley Rolfe

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In a sweep of unprecedented proportions, Republicans gained the open Richmond area 3rd District congressional seat and picked off Northern Virginia's two Democratic incumbents yesterday.

The victories by Thomas J. Bliley Jr. in the 3rd District, Stanford E. Parris in the 8th and Frank R. Wolf in the 10th reflected Ronald Reagan's showing in Virginia and will give Republicans a 9-1 edge in the state's congressional delegation.

Bliley, a former Richmond mayor and a heavy pre-election favorite, defeated Democrat John A. Mapp by a 5-to-3 margin in a four-man race to replace Rep. David E. Satterfield III, a conservative Democrat who often voted with Republicans and who did not seek re-election.

But if Bliley had been expected to win, the victories by Parris over Rep. Herbert E. Harris II and Wolf over Rep. Joseph L. Fisher were counted as at least mild upsets and gave further indication that Virginia, which once was considered a Democratic one-party state, is rapidly becoming a Republican one-party state.

The only Democrat left in a state congressional delegation that once was monopolized by Democrats is 5th District Rep. Dan Daniel, who like Satterfield is a conservative who often votes along Republican lines. Daniel did not face opposition yesterday.

In the 8th District, Parris, who was unseated by Harris in 1974, had 52 percent of the vote with 142 of 149 precincts reporting. Harris led in early returns but was overtaken by Parris with about half the votes counted.

In the 10th District, Fisher

was commanding only 49 percent of the vote against Wolf with 148 of 162 precincts reporting. Wolf, who lost to Fisher in 1978 by 6 percentage points, led from the beginning of the vote count.

Republicans also won the only other seriously contested races in the state, ones in the eastern and western corners of the state.

In the 4th District, which stretches from Chesapeake and Portsmouth to Petersburg, was winning 60 percent of the vote to defeat Democrat Cecil Y. Jenkins. In the Southwest Virginia 9th District, Rep. William C. Wampler won almost 70 percent of the vote to overwhelm Democrat Roosevelt Ferguson.

To a degree, the Virginia congressional races reflected the value of incumbency in some areas of the state. There also was a common theme of money.

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GOP Increasing House Strength

From Wire Dispatches

By only a thin margin, Democrats retained control of the House of Representatives yesterday. But their ranks were badly depleted as Republicans propelled by Ronald Reagan's landslide victory, piled up substantial congressional gains.

Democrats had won the 218 seats required for control of the House and were leaning in races that would give them 241 of the 435 seats. Republicans were threatening to pick up 34 seats.

Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr. was elected to a 15th term handily, and Majority Leader Jim Wright of Texas won an easy victory in what was considered a close race. But the Democrats' No. 3 man, John Brademas of Indiana, was toppled after 22 years by 27-year-old businessman John Hiler.

Brademas, who has served in the House since 1959, was the

author of the nation's major higher education aid act and played a major role in aid-to-arts legislation.

Among other prominent Democrats ousted from office were: John Murphy of New York, chairman of the Merchant Marine Committee; Frank Thompson of New Jersey, chairman of the Administration Committee; Mike McCormack of Washington, a nuclear energy advocate who was a power on the Science and Technology Committee; and Lester Wolff of New York, chairman of a special narcotics committee and a Southeast Asia expert.

Others who were trailing were: Al Ullman of Oregon, chairman of the powerful Ways and Means Committee; Harold Johnson, chairman of the Public Works Committee; Thomas Ashley of Ohio, who played a key role in passing

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