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Reagan sweeps to runaway triumph; Warner, president easily take state



PRESIDENTIAL RACE

Reagan-Bush (R) 35,927,894 VOTES



Harrison (D)

Mondale-Ferraro (D)

70% OF PRECINCTS REPORTED

VIRGINIA SENATE SEAT

Warner (R)

1.332,284 VOTES





1,895 OF 1,958 PRECINCTS REPORTED

VIRGINIA HOUSE SEATS

Ist District 178 OF 187 PRECINCTS

Bateman (R) ... 111,911 McGlennen (D) .. 76,103 Green (I) 2,038

3rd District 166 OF 166 PRECINCTS

Bliley (R) 182,206 Coffey (I) 28,424

6th District 223 OF 225 PRECINCTS Olin (D)103,388 Garland (R)96,185

194 OF 206 PRECINCTS

Slaughter (R) ... 103,165

Costello (D) 74,121

Saslaw (D) 73,594 Carpenter (I) 527 9th District 249 OF 252 PRECINCTS Boucher (D)102,137 Stafford (R) 93,332 10th District 169 OF 172 PRECINCTS

8th District 119 OF 149 PRECINCTS

Parris (R)......89,140

Wolf (R) 146,670 Flannery (D) 89,751

Unopposed

Whitehurst (2) 2nd District

Sisisky (D) 4th District

Daniel (D) 5th District

REFERENDUMS

- ☑ ☐ Richmond: Repeal of Sunday closing law For 47,666 Against 15,408
- ☑ ☐ Henrico: \$14 million for road work For 47,697 Against 22,898
- ☐ Henrico: \$9 million for drainage facilities For 46,449; Against 22,879
- ☑ ☐ Henrico: \$2 million for East End offices For 34,016; Against 33,747
- ☑ □ Powhatan: \$4.3 million for elementary school For 3,832; Against 1,187

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mid-50s. Clear and cold tonight. 60. Data, page A-2.

Virginia's State Newspaper

Democrat concedes in Virginia

By Dale Eisman s-Dispatch staff writer

Virginians, voting in record numbers, delivered historic majorities to President Reagan and Sen. John W. Warner yesterday, contributing to the president's national landslide and giving Warner one of his own.

Reagan, who got 53 percent of the state's votes in 1980 against President Carter, finished 10 points higher yes-terday against Democrat Walter F.

Warner ran even stronger than the president in his race with Democrat Edythe C. Harrison. Mrs. Harrison, a former state legislator, seemed likely to become her party's all-time biggest loser in a Senate race in the

With the count just over three-fourths complete, Reagan and Warner became the first candidates to receive more than 1 million votes in a Virginia election. Yesterday's state turnout topped 2 million for the first time.

With 1,895 of the state's 1,958 precincts reporting, these were the totals in the presidential race:

Reagan — 1,274,805 or 63 percent. Mondale — 764,971 or 37 percent. With 1,895 of 1,958 precincts reporting in the Senate race, the totals were: Warner — 1,332,284 or 70 percent. Mrs. Harrison - 577,178 or 30

percent. Mrs. Harrison conceded defeat shortly before 9 last night in a speech to a Democratic gathering at Rich-

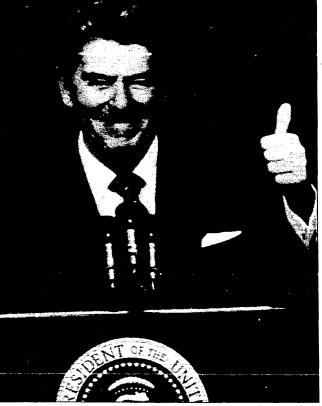
mond's Hotel John Marshall. Never mentioning Warner, she claimed victory for the idea that a woman could be a viable statewide candidate and said she was proud of having run "a strong, issue-oriented campaign."

Mrs. Harrison said, "The future, I know, is on our side," and told her supporters, "I don't want anybody to think that because I didn't get the majority of votes today that there's something wrong with our Democrat-

Her campaign, she suggested, was "a little bit ahead of its time."

Warner, claiming victory half an hour later at the Richmond Marriott, praised Mrs. Harrison for "a tough race," one "she entered without hope and without fear." He said she blazed a trail for women in both parties.

Statewide, an NBC News exit poll of more than 2,200 Virginians indicated that Warner got about one-fourth of the state's black voters and one-Continued on page 9 col 1



United Press International

President gave thumbs-up sign at victory party

President carries 49 states

From wire dispatches

American voters re-elected President Reagan by a landslide over Democrat Walter F. Mondale yesterday as the Republican captured at least 49 states

Mondale held a slim lead in his home state of Minnesota this morning. Massachusetts, his best hone in the East, slipped into the Reagan column about 2 a.m., and triumphs in Hawaii and Alaska brought Reagan his 48th and 49th states, matching Richard Nixon's 1972 showing.

Mondale had definitely won only the District of Columbia with three electoral votes.

Reagan was assured 525 electoral votes, far more than the 270 needed to

With 80 percent of the precincts counted nationwide, Reagan had 59 percent to Mondale's 41 percent.

However, the GOP was having a harder time translating Reagan's landslide into significant gains in

The GOP was headed for renewed Continued on page 8, col. 6

Democrats to retain House; GOP keeps grip on Senate

Senate

By The Associated Press

Republicans preserved their control of the Senate vesterday in contests that included a hard-fought re-election victory by New Right leader Jesse Helms of North Carolina, but Democrats chalked up enough victories to prevent President Reagan's landslide from producing a rout in the

One Republican incumbent, Roger W. Jepsen of Iowa, was defeated and another, Charles H. Percy of Illinois, was trailing by three percentage points with about threefourths of the vote counted.

Republicans did topple one Democratic incumbent, Walter Huddleston of Kentucky; and a second, Carl Levin of Michigan, was trailing in early returns. But Democrats picked up the seat of retiring Majority Leader Howard H. Baker Jr. of Tennessee.

The president's party, which gained command of the Senate in 1980 after being out of power for a quartercentury, holds a 55-45 majority.

Helms won a third term as he defeated Democratic Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. in the most expensive Senate race Continued on page 7, col. 1

House

From wire dispatches

WASHINGTON - Democrats retained majority control of the House yesterday and appeared to be successful in their battle to stop Republicans from forging a coalition that would give the GOP effective legislative command in President Reagan's second term.

Early this morning, Democrats had won 219 seats, for control, and were leading in 31 more districts while Republicans had the edge in 182.

That meant the Republicans would come up short in their bid to gain about 25 seats to form the sort of conservative coalition with Southern Democrats that pushed through much of Reagan's program in the first two vears he was in office.

"Americans looked to the Demorats and said, 'We want you to protect the safety net," House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass., said early today of the Republican

showing.

But it was clear that Democrats would be operating the House with a trimmed majority and legislative battles Continued on page 7, col. 1

State's lineup in Congress stays 6-4

By Shelley Rolfe Times-Dispatch staff writer

On a day when they gave sweeping majorities to President Reagan and U.S. Sen. John W. Warner, Virginia voters also decided yesterday to maintain the Republican-Democratic status quo in the state's congressional delegation.

With most precincts reporting in all districts, all of the five incumbents who faced serious challenges had won

Republican, Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson, is stepping down, voters replaced him with another Republican, D. French Slaughter, a 62-year-old former Democratic state legislator with ties to the old Byrd organization.

Slaughter took the lead from the start of vote-counting and consistently commanded 58 percent of the vote against Democrat Lewis M. Costello. Polls had indicated that Slaughter was the favorite, but they also predicted the race would be close. Cos-And in the 7th District where a tello had tried to make Slaughter's

General Assembly voting record a campaign issue.

The statewide results left the state's congressional partisan lineup intact with six Republicans and four Democrats. Republicans had been highly san-

guine about the prospects of defeat-ing 9th District Rep. Frederick C. Boucher and 6th District Rep. James R. Olin. Each first won his seat two vears ago. But Olin overcame the massive

Reagan and Warner margins in a traditionally Republican district to de-

feat former state Sen. Ray L. Garland. With 99 percent of the precincts reporting, Olin had 52 percent of the vote in an election in which he had been a slight favorite.

In the 9th District, Boucher had 52 percent of the vote against Del. C. Jefferson Stafford with about 99 percent of the precincts reporting. Stafford led briefly when vote counting began but was overtaken by Boucher as results began coming in from the coal mining areas of a district where Continued on page 10, col. 6

Helms is victor in Carolina

By Gene Marlowe Media General News Service

RALEIGH, N.C. - Sen. Jesse Helms won a smashing victory in North Carolina yesterday and may be headed for an even greater role in national affairs.

The Republican champion of the New Right held a 51 percent-to-48 percent lead over his Democratic challenger, Gov. James B. Hunt Jr., with 92 percent of the precincts

The national impact of Helms' victory may be yet to unfold.

The chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Charles H. Percy, R-Ill., was trailing last night. Helms, a bellicose and uncompromising opponent of socialism, is next in line for the foreign relations chairmanship if Percy loses.

That would boost Helms, 63, to one of the most powerful positions in the nation, and Helms is expected to come under tremendous pressure from conservatives to take the foreign relations chair if it opens.

Helms promised during his cam-paign to remain as chairman of the Agriculture Committee, where he protects his state's tobacco interests. But there is speculation that he would

find some way to switch to foreign relations, which is his true love

"You have sent a signal throughout the world that North Carolina is a God-fearing, conservative state," Helms told his supporters last night.

Helms said he will return to Washington to continue an unrelenting fight for school prayer and free enterprise and against abortion and "politics as usual."

He also made a gesture to blacks, most of whom opposed him in this election. "I want the black citizens of North Carolina to know that I intend Continued on page 7, col. 5

Vote counted

From wire dispatches

CAROLINA, W.Va. - Josephine Morris, 80, died of an apparent heart attack yesterday while in the voting booth casting her ballot.

Secretary of State A. James Manchin, who was nearby, was summoned to the polling place and ruled that the Carolina resident's partially completed ballot should be counted.

'She made the supreme sacrifice in the true spirit of the American patriot" by going to vote despite a heart condition, he said.

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