

Voter Turnout Expected To Reach 57 Million

WASHINGTON—Democrats and Republicans finished the furious 1970 national election campaigns with a flourish Monday with President Nixon and Sen. Edmund S. Muskie making last-minute television appeals.

Although the national parties have made the Senate the main battling ground, thousands of other political offices are at stake and campaign oratory sounded across the land as candidates made their last pitch for votes.

While President Nixon rested at his Western White House Monday after an exhausting campaign tour, the

Republican party purchased nationwide television time for an election-eve showing of a stern presidential lecture on political violence.

Returning to the theme that has been the cornerstone of the GOP campaign, Republicans bought time on all three major television networks to show one of the President's toughest law and order speeches.

Made in Phoenix Saturday night, two days after the demonstrators of San Jose, Calif., threw eggs and rocks at his car, the President condemned "thugs and hoodlums" of the violent left in the

speech and said permissiveness, not repression of the Vietnam War, had nurtured those "haters" he said threatened the nation.

"Those who carry a peace sign in one hand and a bomb or brick in the other are the super-hypocrites of our time," he said in that speech.

Nixon said "appeasement" was a prime cause of political terrorism and he called for election of senators and House members who would take a "tough-minded approach to violence."

Not to be outdone, the Democratic National Committee announced a group

of citizens would buy time following Nixon so that Sen. Muskie could "respond to the Republican tactics of fear and division which threaten to tear this country apart."

On Sunday, Vice President Agnew at a news conference in San Clemente sought to blunt Democratic talk about the nation's economic ills by arguing that the problems are on their way to solution and were caused in the first place by Democrats.

Agnew accused Democrats of using a "big lie" by implying the economy was headed for "a recession or a depression, or something worse."

About 57 million persons are expected to vote Tuesday to decide 35 of the 100 Senate seats, all 435 House seats and 35 of the 50 governorships.

The Republicans need a net gain of seven seats to fulfill Nixon's goal of taking control of the Senate, which has dealt him his most serious setbacks of his first two years in office.

Indications were that the GOP would pick up some Senate seats, but probably not enough for control. There appeared there would be little change in the House lineup, where Republicans need to unseat 29 Democrats to take control.

In eleventh-hour campaigning, the Republicans stuck to their law-and-order theme and Democrats stayed with their emphasis on economic issues.



Democrats Storm Governorship

WASHINGTON—Improbable prospects in Michigan and Massachusetts Monday bolstered Democratic chances of gaining several governorships and breaking a virtual Republican monopoly on leadership of the largest states.

The GOP now has 32 of 35 governorships up in Tuesday's election, Republicans hold 24 and Democrats 11. This year's statehouse elections are especially critical because states must redistrict their congressional and legislative districts according to the 1970 census results.

Nine of the 10 most populous states have Republican governors, Texas being the lone exception. But Democrats were heavily favored to win two of them, Ohio

and Florida, and were given a good chance in three others—Michigan, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania.

According to polls, party leaders and political observers, however, GOP governors appeared likely to retain a numerical edge. Moreover, in the two largest states, incumbent Republican Govs. Ronald Reagan of California and Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York were overwhelming favorites for reelection.

A final Detroit News poll Monday put Democratic State Sen. Sander M. Levin only one point behind Republican Gov. William G. Milliken, based on an average voter turnout. "If a heavy turnout occurs, Levin will win going away," said pollster Frederick p. Currier.

In Massachusetts, observers said Boston Mayor Kevin H. White, a Democrat, had gained enough ground to seriously threaten Republican Gov. Francis W. Sargent. White converted some voters in a televised debate with Sargent Friday night, officials said.

In addition, Democrats were rated fair to good prospects for winning GOP-held governorships in Alaska, Arkansas, Idaho, Minnesota, Nevada, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Vermont, Wisconsin and Nebraska.

Of Cancer

Cardinal Cushing Dies

BOSTON—Cardinal Richard Cushing, 75, the "common man's" prince of the Roman Catholic Church who also was a confidante of the powerful Kennedy family, died Monday of cancer.

Death came shortly before 2 p.m. EST at the cardinal's residence, Archbishop Humberto S. Medeiros, who succeeded the cardinal less than a month ago, was

reported at his bedside when the prelate died. First word of the cardinal's failing came about two hours earlier when chancery officials said he was in "critical" condition, his health "failing rather rapidly."

The cardinal, who stepped down last month after 26 years as archbishop of Boston, was stricken by cancer 14 months ago and was given eight months to live in 1964 when a malignant kidney was removed.

Chancery officials did not disclose the nature of the prelate's latest medical problems, but it was reliably reported to be cancer. The cardinal reportedly had been bed-ridden for several days.

The cardinal entered St. Elizabeth's Hospital last March for treatment of a "resistant infection" and was hospitalized for several weeks. However, doctors never defined the "infection."

During a series of operations in 1954, he lost 30 pounds and "came within a glimpse of heaven—but I didn't get in, so I came home." He contracted cancer two years later but it was not revealed until the kidney was taken out in 1964.

The second oldest of five children of

an Irish immigrant blacksmith, the cardinal was born Aug. 24, 1895. He dropped out of high school to work on the Boston docks but later returned and entered the seminary after graduating from Boston College High School.

In 1953, he married then-Sen. John F. Kennedy and Jacqueline Bouvier. He also presided at the burial in 1963 of President Kennedy and Sen. Robert F. Kennedy two years ago after they were assassinated.

When the President's widow wanted to marry Greek financier Aristotle Onassis in 1968, he defended her right to do so, cautioning that she could not marry Onassis and remain a Catholic in good standing. When critics responded with "gutter" mail, he offered to resign, commenting, "If they (his critics) don't understand me after 47 years, they'll never understand me." Pope Paul VI did not act on the retirement request.

However, the Pope accepted the cardinal's retirement request about two months ago. The prelate, who had hoped to retire to the missions in South America, said he would not be able to do so because of his poor health.

Rain Haunts Election Day

WASHINGTON—The Weather Bureau Monday predicted rain would fall over much of the Eastern and Midwestern United States on Election day Tuesday.

Rain was forecast for southern New England, western and southeastern New York, Ohio, Western Pennsylvania, and West Virginia.

Possible showers were forecast from the Middle Atlantic states down to Florida, and rain or light snow was foreseen in Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, northern Illinois, northern Indiana and northern Missouri.

Tuesday in North Carolina is expected to be partly cloudy, with chances of showers in the eastern part of the state.

Mexican-American Hijacks Jetliner

MIAMI—A Mexican-American nervously took one stewardess hostage, instructed another to take care of his two small children, then hijacked a United Airliner commuter flight bound for Los Angeles from San Diego and ordered it flown to Cuba, the crew reported Monday.

The 727 jetliner with its 65 remaining

passengers and crew of six spent several hours on the ground in Havana, then returned to Miami about 7:30 a.m. Monday.

The aircraft was on a routine 20-minute commuter hop when the man left his son and daughter in their seats, jabbed an automatic pistol into the ribs of stewardess Nicki Leutar and said "I want to go to Cuba."

"He was yelling—I mean he was really screaming it out very emotionally—"Cuba, Cuba, this is Chicano operation," said Capt. Joe Kolons.

When he first entered the cockpit and took command of the plane, Kolons said, the hijacker ordered to stewardess to pull out a brown beret from his pocket and put it on his head. The brown cap is symbolic of the Mexican-American community in the southwestern United States, whose people are known as "Chicanos."

Cardinal Loved His Flock

Cardinal Richard Cushing, who called President Kennedy "Dear Jack," was a man who fought hard for the flock—Catholic or otherwise—he so deeply cared for.

His prime concern, like that of his successor, Archbishop Medeiros, was with the "little people." His bubbling, jaunty informality endeared him to his flock as he amazed constituents by dancing an Irish jig, donning a comic hat, bottle-feeding an infant or playing Santa Claus in the red trappings of the cardinalate—his "glad rags."

His fund-raising feats were legendary, ranging from the \$1 million he raised in three hours for "Cuban freedom fighters" after the ill-fated "Bay of Pigs" invasion of 1962 to a \$50 million "jubilee" drive undertaken in 1967 to erase all bills of the archdiocese so his successor would not have a financial burden.

Long before the ecumenical movement began to spread in the Catholic Church, he led a sort of one-man interfaith dialog with Protestant and Jewish leaders.

He was close to mixed marriage and

befriended "people of all faiths and no faiths." His sister married a Jewish furniture salesman and he once interrupted a Christmas sermon to preach against anti-Semitism.

He also like to tell the story of the taxicab driver who said, "Your eminence, you're the best rabbi in Boston."

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