

Clear, cool  
Tomorrow will be clear,  
with no chance of rain.  
The low last night  
reached around 32, and  
the high today is  
expected to hit 60.

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Exercise your right to  
vote today! The polls  
open at 6:30 a.m. and  
will close at 7:30 p.m.

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## Illinois vote—the one to watch

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Following a presidential election is something like watching showdown poker. As the cards are flipped face up one by one, the astute observer often can see the winning hand early in the game.

With the public opinion polls agreeing that the national popular vote is going to be very close, attention focuses on the electoral votes of the states, particularly "The Big Five" and "The Decisive Dozen."

The Big Five states and their electoral votes are California, 45; New York, 41; Pennsylvania, 27; and Illinois and Texas, 26 each, for a total of 165—105 votes short of the 270 needed to win the presidency. They are the face cards in the presidential deck.

The Decisive Dozen are the first five, plus Ohio, 25; Michigan, 21; Florida and New Jersey, 17 each; Massachusetts, 14; and Indiana and North Carolina, 13 each, for a total of 285 electoral votes.

That means the first 10 states in electoral ranking plus either Indiana or North Carolina can decide a presidential election, providing 272 votes, two more than needed to win. A candidate could carry the 39 other states and still lose.

The first dozen states have the votes to elect a president, but they don't have a particularly good record of doing so. In the last four elections only Illinois, New Jersey and North Carolina have given their votes to the winner every time.

Illinois is just about the best bellwether available. Except in 1916, it has voted with the winner in every presidential election in this century.

Ohio has a special talent. It selects Republican presidents. No GOP candidate in recent history has won without winning in Ohio.

In 1960, all the Big Five except California backed the winner. In 1968, only California and Illinois were right. Only in the landslides of 1964 and 1972 did all of the Big Five go with the winner.

So much for the face value of the cards. The order in which they are turned up also is important to election watchers.

Vote counting is a lot faster than it used to be, but some states still outdo their neighbors in getting ballots tabulated.

Connecticut is famous for lightning counts. It has only eight electoral votes, but students of political trends say Connecticut's results often are a tipoff. The Nutmeg State has given its votes to the winner in three of the four last elections, going for the loser in 1968.

New York City also counts fast. But caution is necessary. The city is a large chunk of the total, but it does not outvote the rest of the state. Like Connecticut, New York state went for the loser in 1968.

New Jersey may be a little longer coming in, but remember its record—four for four starting with 1960. The same is true of North Carolina in the Eastern time

zone, and it could give a good clue of the way the two-party South may go.

Florida is another big state whose results should be in relatively early, but it is not regarded as a window on Dixie.

As the hours pass, start watching for Ohio and especially Illinois.

There are negative indications to look for. If the South is going to be solid for favorite-son Jimmy Carter, the key states are Mississippi and Louisiana.

President Ford hopes to be strong in his home state of Michigan. If he runs poorly there, the rest of the industrial Midwest may be in jeopardy.

The farm states are supposed to be the GOP power center. Watch Missouri: both candidates fought hard for it.

The West is said to be Ford country. Look at New Mexico, which has picked winners in every election since it became a state in 1912. Texas is, of course, important. West of it, no state but California has more than nine electoral votes.

By the time the counting reaches the West Coast, the election could be decided. But if Ford and Carter have split the Big Five and the Decisive Dozen in the East and Midwest, California could name the next president.

If so, make lots of coffee and sandwiches and settle down for the night. You may see the sun rise before you know who has won.

## Washington, Plains: the scene on election eve

### ...staff prepares for victory bash

by Chuck Alston  
Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1—With less than 12 hours until polls in the Eastern states open, the ballroom of the Sheraton Park Hotel is undergoing drastic changes.

Crews of workmen are making preparations for the Wednesday



morning emergency of President Gerald R. Ford and his running mate Sen. Robert J. Dole.

Reams of Ford-Dole posters paper the 100-yard-long ballroom. A podium, from which Ford will address the crowd, fills one end of the hall. The ballroom will be the site of a marathon 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. election-night party.

The President is scheduled to appear between 12:30 and 2 a.m. Coming off his best campaign week since the Republican Convention in Kansas City, Mo., Ford has given campaign staffers at the Sheraton Park and downtown at the President Ford Committee (PFC) headquarters an air of new-found confidence.

But whether the approximately 30,000 invited guests and staffers hear the President speak of four more years or of somber thanks for campaign support depends largely upon Eugene McCarthy's performance, the weather or the outcome in the so-called "big seven" states.

The "big seven" states—New Jersey, Michigan, California, New York, Ohio, Illinois and Pennsylvania—are worth 202 electoral votes. To win, a candidate must amass 270 electoral votes.

Ford staffers expressed confidence in the President's ability to win in New Jersey and California, where the polls have shown him leading. And they feel sure that the President can carry his home state, Michigan.

The others, they admit, could go either way. If Eugene McCarthy is able to capture any support in Illinois, the feeling is that it will go for the President.

One staffer said his fingers were crossed in the hope that it might rain in several of the major electoral states. The general concern is that a large turnout will favor the Carter-Mondale ticket.

The National Weather Service forecast calls for sunny skies and mild temperatures across most of the nation Tuesday.

The President wrapped up a 15,000-mile transcontinental barnstorming campaign trip Monday in Michigan while the television networks aired election-eve media blitzes aimed at swaying the large number of undecided voters. Ford will spend the night in Grand Rapids, his hometown, vote Tuesday morning, and return to Washington mid-day Tuesday.

According to a PFC aide at the Sheraton Park the President's ace-in-the-hole will reveal itself today at the polls. That ace-in-the-hole, he added, is his incumbency.

"People know where the President stands on the issues and don't feel that they are taking a risk in voting for him as they might be in voting for Carter," he said.

Pablo Martinez, a 16-year-old Ford volunteer summed up his feelings: "Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock, it is all over for me. I'll no longer be working on the campaign. I'm gonna go to the party."

### ...a hamlet waits on favorite son

by Dan Fesperman  
Features Editor

PLAINS, Ga., Nov. 1—Ever since the Jimmy Carter campaign got rolling in the primaries last winter this town has become the next of kin to the national media.

Everything from church services to lemonade transactions has been written about, filmed, discussed and reshaped for consumption by the American public.

Today the media prepared for its heaviest bombardment of Plains yet—election day coverage.

Along with hundreds of media people, there were also several tourists and dozens of Carter groupies who wandered in from as far away as Ohio and California.

Together they formed a crowd of gawking, open-mouthed curiosity seekers, for which the commercially alert townspeople were more than ready.

There were Carter stickers, posters, peanuts, T-shirts, peanut sacks, mugs, calendars, bowls, bracelets, pocketbooks and Carter, Carter, CARTER.

Other than the commercial interests there was clearly a personal interest in Jimmy, the hometown boy who made good in politics. But almost everyone here, with the exception of the Carters themselves, probably won't be too crushed if Jimmy loses, and most people were their business-as-usual selves.

Mrs. C.L. Walters, who runs a small



### The day shift

Steve Ellis, Jeff Yancey, Chris Fuller and Sy Berger bring the APO-Ehringhaus Swing-a-thon close to the one-third point Monday in their planned 240-hour swing for charity.

## Chapel Hill-Carrboro Polls

Precinct	Place	Residences included
Mason Farm	Community Church Purefoy Road	James, Craig, Odum Village, Spring Garden Morrison, Ehringhaus Parker, Teague, Avery Upper and Lower Quad, Cobb, Joyner, Connor, Winston, Alexander, Carr
Country Club	Woollen Gym	Alderman, Kenan, McIver, Old East, Old West, Westall, Spencer, Towne House, Brookside, Colonial Arms, Oak Terrace, Northampton, University
Greenwood	UNC General Administration Bldg., Raleigh Rd. at 15-501	Camiel, Shepherd Ln., Village Green, Brookwood Town Terrace Willow Terrace, Colony Oxford, Kings Arms, Castilian Villa, Foxcroft, Booker Creek, Pinegate
East Franklin	Lutheran Ch., E. Rosemary St.	Glen Lennox, Golf Course Fraternal, The Oaks Stratford Hills
Battle Park	Public Library E. Franklin St.	University Garden, Chalet Bolinwood, Sharon Heights, Village West, Elkin Hills
Ridgefield Eastside	Binkley Church Ephesus Rd. School	Granville Towers Whitehead, Big and Little Fraternity Courts Kingswood, Laurel Ridge, Incho I The Villages
Glenwood	Glenwood School	Estes Park, Sue Ann Courts Cedar Court, Pine Knoll, Lebet Chateau, Park West, Berkshire Manor, Fidelity Court, Northampton West Carolina, Old West, Yum-Yum, Royal Park, Ridgewood, Rocky Brook Incho II
Estes Hills	Guy B. Phillips Jr. High School	
Northside Colonial Heights	Municipal Bldg. Umstead Rec. Center Umstead Drive	
Lincoln	Lincoln School Merritt Mill Rd.	
Westwood	Frank Porter Graham School	
Dogwood Acres North Carrboro	Grey Culbreth Sch. Carrboro School	
South Carrboro	Carrboro Town Hall	
University Lake	Water Plant, Jones Ferry Rd.	
Coker Hills	Elliot Rd. Fire Station	

## BSM settles for Chase if University apologizes

by Laura Scism  
Staff Writer

The Black Student Movement (BSM) general body has voted to accept second-floor space in Chase Hall provided the University Space Committee issues a written apology for failing to involve BSM members in the decision to reallocate space in Chase.

The second-floor space was offered the BSM by Dean of Student Affairs Donald Boulton, whose office was allocated approximately 5,400 square feet on the second floor of Chase.

Space Committee members were informed of the BSM's decision by letters mailed late last week.

BSM members lost their first-floor space when the Space Committee allocated the entire first floor of Chase to Servomation, Inc., including the BSM's 2,000-square-foot Upendo Lounge.

Second floor space was allocated to the Health Sciences Research Center, the Institute of Speech and Hearing and the University personnel department, in addition to the student affairs office.

The Space Committee reconsidered its decision at the request of Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor but affirmed the earlier decision after a review of the architectural

plans for the first and second floor of Chase. BSM Chairperson Jackie Lucas said the BSM asked for the apology because no administration officials had admitted publicly the BSM had been wronged.

"We felt we had to have somebody say, 'Hey, the BSM is not just raising a lot of noise,'" Lucas said. "We wanted the public to see that we have had a legitimate reason for doing what we did."

She said the BSM members had considered the possibility that they could lose the approximately 2,000 square feet of space Boulton has promised them, but they "felt the principle was very important."

"One of the reasons we decided to stage any type of movement in the first place was that we had no say in the decision," Lucas said.

The four students who would represent the BSM on a committee to plan the use of the rest of the student affairs office's space will not attend meetings of that committee until a written apology is received.

Claiborne Jones, chairperson of the Space Committee, said he had received the BSM letter, but he would not make any predictions as to how the Space Committee will respond. He said he would call a meeting of the committee when the members were ready to discuss the letter.

## 'Too close to call' UNC poll promises photo-finish

by David Stacks  
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Democratic presidential nominee Jimmy Carter polled 46.3 per cent and President Ford 42.2 per cent in a presidential preference survey taken last week at UNC.

"On campus, it's too close to call," said Assoc. Prof. Ronald W. Helms, whose Biostatistics 266 class conducted the survey.

The same survey showed students in favor of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA), a federal job guarantee program and national health insurance. The poll also indicated student opposition to a constitutional amendment restricting abortions.

"We have a very liberal student body, yet they are not voting for Carter," Helms said.

Approximately 46 per cent tended to favor the ERA, while 14 per cent were opposed. Neutral students numbered 39 per cent.

Approximately 56 per cent were opposed to a constitutional amendment restricting abortions, while 10 per cent tended to favor such a law and 21 per cent were not sure.

A comparison of male and female attitudes on the anti-abortion issue showed no difference attributable to sex. Seventy-nine per cent of the females and 75 per cent of the males were opposed.

A federal job guarantee program drew 34 per cent in favor and 15 per cent opposed. Fifty per cent said they were not sure.

National health insurance advocates numbered 38 per cent, opponents 15 per cent, with 44 per cent stating no preference.

Most students said they had greater confidence in President Ford's ability to conduct foreign policy and to budget military spending than in the ability of Jimmy Carter.

On a low-to-high scale of one to seven, Ford averaged 4.6 in foreign policy and 4.4 in military spending. Carter's average was 3.8 in foreign policy and 3.9 in military spending.

The survey was taken in seven randomly selected classes. Helms said the margin for error in such polls is 3 per cent.

The seven classes surveyed were Anthropology 26, Dental Hygiene 11, Economics 140, English 22, Health Education 33, History 11 and Parasitism and Human Disease 134.

Of the 287 students polled, 10 per cent were freshmen, 20 per cent were sophomores, 24 per cent were juniors, 37 per cent were seniors and 7 per cent were graduate students.

From the seven classes surveyed, 56 per cent said they were registered Democrats, 18 per cent registered Republicans, 8 per cent independents and 16 per cent were not registered to vote.

Women taking part in the poll outnumbered men 54 per cent to 41 per cent. White students outnumbered blacks 84 per cent to 11 per cent.