

Virginia Smith's victory assured in third district

With 29 percent of the votes in, forecasters already were predicting an easy victory for Republican incumbent candidate Virginia Smith in the 3rd district.

"I have worked hard for years," Smith said. "There have been many successes but many issues yet remain unsolved. I think the people were for me because I reflect the philosophy of the third district."

Democrat candidate Marilyn Fowler attributes Smith's win to her four-year incumbency and well-funded campaign.

"Smith spent hundreds of thousands of dollars campaigning in the third district which was more than the senate or governor candidates spent," she said.

The incumbent said she will serve her third term with hopes of solving problems dealing with inflation, and agriculture. She said she was going to Washington early next year to work on a trade mission to Saudi Arabia to promote the sale of agricultural and manufacturing products.

Several months ago I decided I'd be a candidate until I won," Fowler said. "I'm still a candidate."

The Lexington farm resident said that she will keep challenging Smith so that more people will realize how many things happen in Washington that she didn't tell us. If we uncover more, it will be good for our future."

Although she said she must now catch up, Fowler will keep watching her opponent.

"There are areas not discussed till I brought them to the attention of the people," she said. "It won't be as easy for her (Smith) to not tell of these issues."

Fowler believes that the above average turnout at the polls correlates with the attitudes she encountered in her travels across the district.

"The people are more open and are thinking and being concerned," she said. "The issues on the ballot have been an awakening. I hope this is an example of the citizen involvement needed to have good government."

Cavanaugh defeats Daub; 35-year custom broken

Breaking a 35-year tradition, a Democrat was elected for more than one term to the 2nd District Congressional seat. John Cavanaugh defeated opponent Hal Daub by 45,188 to 40,686.

A press agent for the incumbent said, "We are elated," when it was announced Cavanaugh had won.

Tim McMahan reported that Cavanaugh would work to reduce the size and scope of the federal govern-

ment to increase efficiency. Earlier Cavanaugh stated he would combat inflation with a three-point program which includes a comprehensive national energy policy, reductions in government spending and incentives to business and to expand production.

Although Daub was unavailable for comment, he had previously announced another plan, similar in some aspects to Cavanaugh's, to combat inflation.

GOP sweeps state offices

At 1 a.m., with nearly half of the precincts reporting, it appears that all of Nebraska's state constitutional officers will be Republicans.

Incumbent Secretary of State Allen Beermann had 67 percent of the votes against his Democrat opponent, Clarence Davis.

Republican Ray A.C. Johnson had 61 percent of the votes against Democrat Darl

Naumann, in the contest for Auditor of Public Accounts.

State Treasurer Frank Marsh had 66 percent of the votes against his Democrat opponent E.J. McBride for the treasurer's office.

Republican Attorney General Paul Douglas had 63 percent of the votes against Democrat Thomas Garvey.

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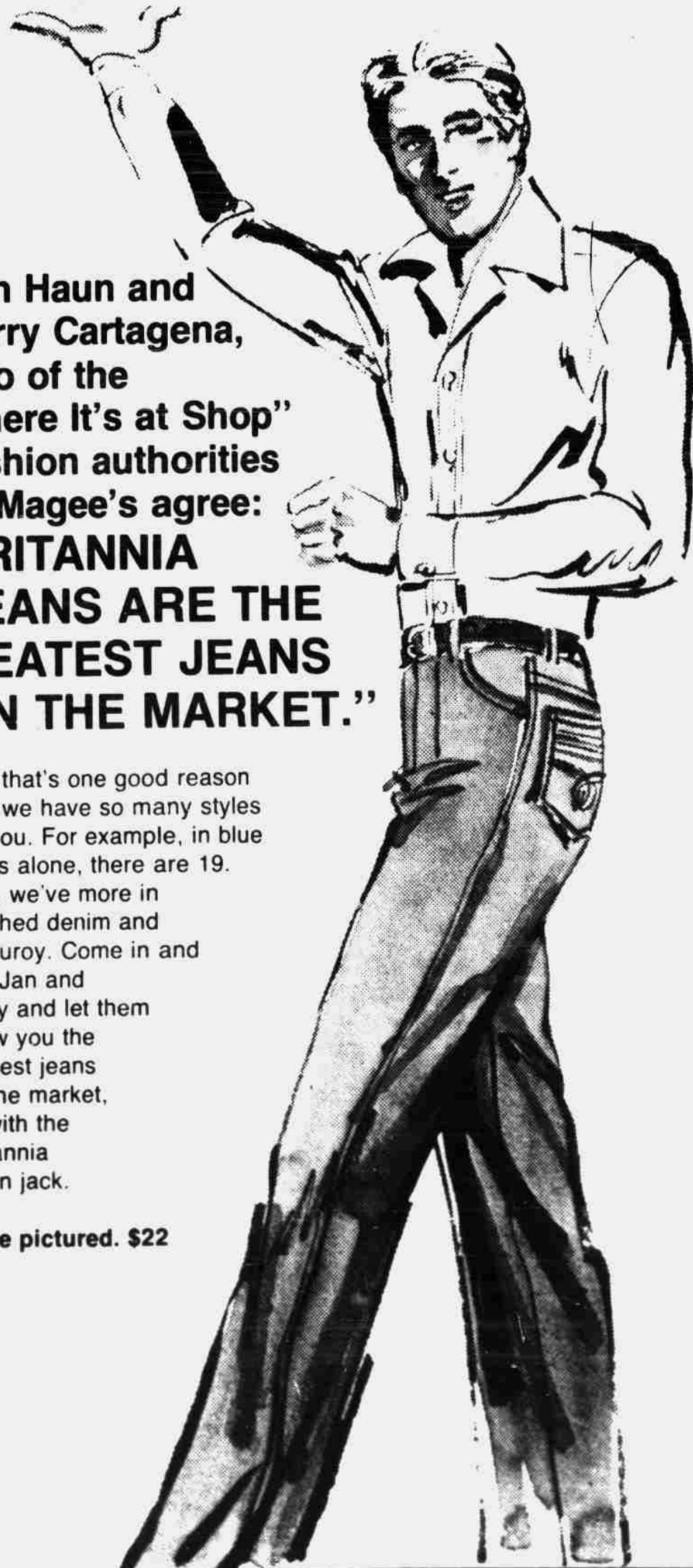
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