

Kerrey wins South Dakota

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. — Bob Kerrey won the South Dakota primary Tuesday, the latest Democrat to gain a regional victory in a curious presidential campaign lacking a national frontrunner.

President Bush won unopposed, but was buffeted by a strong GOP protest vote.

Kerrey, from next-door Nebraska, had 40 percent of the vote with 91 percent of the precincts tallied. His farm-state rival, Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, had 26 percent while Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton crossed regional lines and ran a respectable third at 19 percent.

Paul Tsongas was a far-away fourth, unable to capitalize on last week's New Hampshire victory. Jerry Brown trailed, and was certain to lose his eligibility for federal campaign matching funds.

With 90 percent of the GOP vote

tallied, Bush had 69 percent and uncommitted 31 percent. The news had to be sobering for the White House, coming on the heels of Pat Buchanan's 37 percent showing in New Hampshire's GOP primary a week ago.

"In this case, the uncommitted slate represents an anybody-but-Bush ticket," said political analyst Stuart Rothenberg. "Pat Buchanan campaigned day and night in New Hampshire and drew 37 percent. And here, a nonexistent candidate who didn't campaign drew nearly as much of the vote."

The results closed the campaign book on a preliminary round of single-state contests with few delegates at stake.

Kerrey said his victory had catapulted him into the thick of the Democratic race.

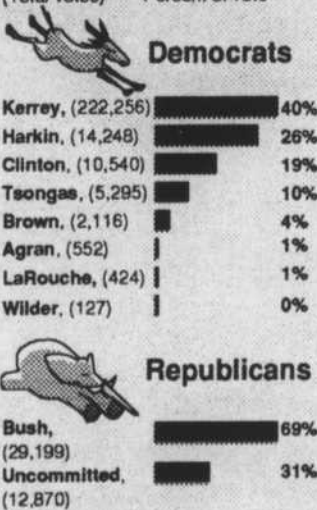
"Tonight, we've struck gold in the black hills of South Dakota," he told supporters at a victory rally. "There's no question we've gotten a solid victory here and tonight we're going to begin a rush for gold."



ELECTIONS

South Dakota primary results

96% of precincts reporting (Total votes) Percent of vote



Senate gives China conditional status

Bill requires more progress in human rights

WASHINGTON — The Senate voted Tuesday to slap new conditions on renewing normal trade relations with China but fell well short of the two-thirds necessary to override President Bush's promised veto.

The 59-39 vote followed an unusual secret session of the full Senate to review intelligence about Beijing's arms sales to the Middle East.

The compromise bill would require "substantial progress" by China in the areas of human rights, trade and weapons proliferation before most-favored-nation trade status could be renewed. That trade status expires in June.

The House approved the conditional measure 409-21 last November, and it now goes to the White House. The Senate tally was eight votes short of the two-thirds that would be needed to override a veto if all senators voted.

The Beijing government Tuesday spoke of unspecified "major breakthroughs" in U.S.-China trade talks now going on in the Chinese capital. China at the same time revealed the convictions of seven more dissidents from the 1989 pro-democracy movement.

After fervent debate last summer, the issue of U.S. policy toward China had lain dormant for months. Action by the Senate's Democratic leaders to revive it now was seen at least in part as an election-year effort to embarrass the administration by highlighting what has been an unpopular policy.

Talks stall as Palestinians attack Israeli self-rule offers

WASHINGTON — Israeli negotiators said they were prepared to discuss Palestinian self-rule Tuesday, but the Palestinians rejected the proposals likening them to apartheid.

The sharp disagreement slowed the peace-making process. Even selecting the site for the next round ran into trouble. Chief Israeli negotiator Elyakim Rubinstein said only his government had responded to a U.S. request for suggested locations.

"It's a pity time has to be wasted on such things," Rubinstein said at a news conference.

Hanan Ashrawi, spokeswoman for the Palestinians, described documents submitted by Israel Monday night as "an insult to our intelligence" because they perpetuated the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza and endorsed continued Jewish settlements of the disputed territories.

Rubinstein said the "really elaborate ideas" did not amount to a blueprint for self-rule, but dealt with giving Palestinians who live under Israeli control considerable control over their day-to-day activities.

"We hope the Palestinians will be seriously considering them," he said.

Eventually, Rubinstein said, "they should be elaborated further into a more detailed model" for self-rule.

Rubinstein said, the issue of Jewish settlements should be deferred until territorial problems are taken up later in the negotiations.

Ashrawi said the Palestinian negotiators would refuse to discuss self-rule until the issues of settlements and human rights in lands the Arabs

lost in the 1967 Six-Day War are resolved.

The day's bargaining at the State Department mostly dealt inconclusively with a procedural issue, where the next round of talks would be held. Jordan proposed extending the current sessions here until March 11 and Israel agreed to consider the suggestion.

Rubinstein said he doubted it would be accepted. After two weeks of bargaining the Israeli negotiators must consult with their government in Jerusalem, he said.

Players cited for assault

From Staff and Wire Reports

Seven UNL football players were issued 12 citations after an alleged fight with members of the UNL baseball team Friday night, according to Lincoln Police.

Nebraska coach Tom Osborne said Tuesday that two of the players allegedly involved in the fight are no longer on the team.

"I know the facts, and we'll stand by our decision. They won't play any more football at Nebraska," Osborne said.

Osborne said he would not give the names of the players removed from the team. He said other players allegedly involved would be suspended for part or all of spring practice but would not say how many others were suspended.

The players are scheduled to appear in Lancaster County Court over a three-day period beginning March 11. City Attorney Bill Austin said Tuesday no formal charges had been filed.

Police Lt. David Beggs said a group including some baseball players forced two football players to leave a house party Friday night because the football players would not pay a cover charge for beer at the party.

The two came back later with other members of the football team and a fight allegedly ensued, Beggs said.

Six members of the baseball team and one former player were injured, Beggs said. Several of them were treated and released from Lincoln General hospital.

Police identified the football players as:

- Brian Havens, 19, cited for disturbing the

peace and trespassing. Havens, a scholarship linebacker, is from Los Alamitos, Calif.

- Jeffery Hughes, 20, cited for assault and trespassing. Hughes, a walk-on receiver, is from Norfolk.

- Lance Gray, 21, cited for assault and disturbing the peace. Gray, a walk-on linebacker, is from Oswego, N.Y.

- Zach Wiegert, 19, cited for trespassing and assault. Wiegert, a scholarship lineman, is from Fremont.

- Raymond Reifenrath, 23, cited for assault and criminal mischief. Reifenrath, a walk-on lineman, is from Dakota City.

- Todd Gragnano, 20, cited for trespassing. Gragnano, a scholarship quarterback, is from Fountain Valley, Calif.

- Terrence Connealy, 19, cited for trespassing. Connealy, a scholarship lineman, is from Hyannis.

Lt. Lee Wagner said he did not know which two players initially visited the party.

Osborne said the players who returned to the party were "out of line."

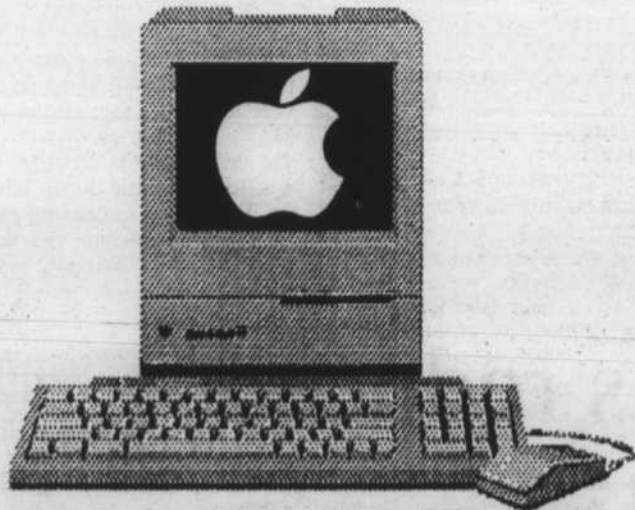
"We've always told them that they have to walk away from these kinds of things, because they never win."

"This is embarrassing to the program, to the team and to me," he said.

Wagner said the incident still was being investigated, and more citations could be issued, depending on the results of the investigation.

"We are going to continue talking to those involved in the incident and see if we can't get any more information," Wagner said.

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