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## Carter wins election with record turnouts

**Bulletin** — Jimmy Carter of Georgia wrestled the presidency away from President Ford Wednesday morning when Mississippi gave him its seven electoral votes and pushed him over the necessary 270 votes.

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Georgia's Jimmy Carter built a lead over President Ford in their race for the White House early today but the outcome hinged on cliffhangers in California and the industrial Midwest.

Carter swept most of the southern and border states and won in the big states of New York, Pennsylvania and Texas.

But the California vote was far from counted and the races in the industrial midwest — Ohio, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin — were neck and neck.

Although Carter, the 52-year-old former Georgia governor, held only a narrow lead in the popular vote he moved within 20 electoral votes of winning the 1976 bicentennial election and ending eight years of Republican rule.

Republican candidate Gerald Ford had a substantial lead over Democrat Jimmy Carter in the race for the presidency in Centre County, despite 10 key State College precincts not reporting, as of 2 a.m. today.

With 67 of 80 precincts having reported, a breakdown of the count shows Ford carrying 45 precincts to Carter's 21.

Unofficial voter count in the county has 12,384 votes for Carter and 15,278 for Ford.

Near midnight, James Baker, Ford's

campaign manager, gave a grim assessment of Ford's chances but held out hope that the President could stage a comeback.

The failure to crack through Carter's native South — with the exception of Virginia — increased the pressure of Ford to win in the industrial north, Baker said.

The 1:09 a.m. EST national vote for President with 68 per cent 121,057 out of 178,159 of the precincts reported.

Popular Vote: Pct:  
Carter: 28,444,159; 51 per cent  
Ford: 26,754,707; 48 per cent  
McCarthy: 429,732; 1 per cent  
Maddox: 114,135; 0 per cent

Carter had won 20 states with 250 electoral votes, and was leading in 3 states with 43 electoral votes.

Ford had won 15 states with 105 electoral votes, and was leading in 13 states with 140 electoral votes.

Carter's victories in New York, Pennsylvania and Texas narrowed Ford's hopes of staging the most remarkable comeback in presidential politics since Harry Truman beat Thomas E. Dewey in 1948.

After trailing all night, the Georgian finally moved ahead in the Empire State by a slim margin.

New York state GOP chairman Richard Rosenbaum late last night asked for a court order to impound all voting machines in New York, saying he had received allegations of tampering in some districts.

State Attorney General Louis Lefkowitz asked city Police Com-

missioner Michael Codd to impound all machines.

Waiting at the White House for the outcome, Ford, the first nonelected president in U.S. history and seeking a full four-year term in his own right, was described as confident of pulling off a modern political miracle.

White House press secretary Ron Nessen said "The mood is good, confident" and added the election was going as planned. He said, "We haven't lost any states we expected to win."

Carter, surrounded by his family at his Atlanta headquarters, also was waiting for the outcome of his 22-month, 500,000-mile quest for the presidency which brought him from near political obscurity.

Jody Powell, Carter's press secretary, said the election was going "pretty much as we expected. We feel cautiously optimistic at this point."

Democratic vice presidential candidate Walter Mondale, the liberal Minnesota senator, stayed at his home in Afton.

National Chairman Robert Strauss reigned over jubilation at party headquarters in Washington. He told merrymakers "Get ready for a hell of a celebration."

"There have been no surprises so far," Strauss said.

"We haven't lost a single state we expected to carry and are doing better in some than we thought we would."

Carter cast the 11th ballot of the day

yesterday in Plains, Ga., his home town, and said he was confident of taking over the White House.

Carter planned a relaxed day at home with a brief, late afternoon speech to supporters at the abandoned white frame railroad depot which served as his campaign headquarters.

The Democratic nominee returned to Plains in the pre-dawn hours yesterday after a hectic final day campaigning in California and in Ford's own state of Michigan, the latter a last minute drive to snap up the state's 21 electoral votes.

Ford voted in his home town of Grand Rapids, Mich., yesterday, kissed an old friend, wept at the dedication of a mural depicting his life and flew back to Washington to await the verdict in one of America's most closely run presidential elections.

Ford's tears flowed openly at the Kent County Airport in Grand Rapids where a goodbye crowd of 200 watched the dedication of a wall of murals, showing high points of his career from Eagle Scout to commander-in-chief.

His voice breaking, his efforts failing to control his deep emotion, the President said: "I just can't adequately express my gratitude for bringing my life to this wonderful airport for so many people to see."

"It expresses our life and our personal relationship."

Tears coursed down his cheeks. His wife, Betty, joined him on the podium and they held hands through the rest of the ceremony.



Democrat Jimmy Carter, victor in the campaign to be the 39th holder of the highest governmental office in the United States, voted yesterday in his home in Plains, Georgia.

## Heinz defeats Green in U.S. Senate bid

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Republican John Heinz rode a massive vote count from his Democratic home base yesterday into the U.S. Senate seat vacated by a man he once worked for, Hugh Scott.

The man he beat, William Green of Philadelphia, complained to the end that he was beaten by money, not the man.

"It was a little like taking on a bazoorka with a baseball bat," Green said.

In Centre County, Republicans won the major state races. With 60 out of 80 precincts reported, Republican John Heinz had 13,396 votes in the U.S. Senate race to Democratic challenger William Green's 11,102; Republican Pat Gleason had 12,908 votes to Al Benedict's 10,710 for the office of state auditor general; and in the race for state treasurer, Patricia Crawford had 12,083 votes to Robert E. Casey's 11,840.

Green had made Heinz spending a key campaign issue, saying that pumping millions of his own money into the race meant Heinz was trying to buy his seat.

Heinz spent some \$2.5 million in the 10-month race. Green spent less than \$900,000.

By midnight, Green was beginning to realize the loss.

"My son (11-year-old) Billy said Truman went to bed thinking he didn't

win. Maybe we'll wake up in the morning and find that will be the case," he told supporters at a Philadelphia hotel.

"I told him I didn't think that that would be the case."

Heinz told jubilant supporters in Pittsburgh: "I just think the effort we put together was magnificent. We can show the people of Pennsylvania we can do a good job for everyone."

Green didn't have the draw of the

cards that Democratic presidential hopeful Jimmy Carter pulled.

Carter swept through normally Democratic counties, riding his party's registration edge to maintain an early lead over President Ford.

The winner would pick up 27 electoral votes, one-tenth the number needed to win nationwide.

There were not state issues between Carter and Ford, and those between

Green and Heinz rested more on the men themselves than on the issues.

To counter Green's charge of buying the election, Heinz said the Philadelphia, Pa., was a product of the Democratic machine, particularly Gov. Shapp and Philadelphia Mayor Frank Rizzo.

Green denied that, pointing out that he unsuccessfully ran against Rizzo in the 1971 mayoralty race.

## Democrats control Congress

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Democrats swept control of the House and Senate yesterday, extending their 24-year domination of Congress.

Leading the Democratic parade was Daniel P. Moynihan, the former U.N. ambassador, who defeated Sen. James L. Buckley in New York; Rep. Paul Sarbanes, who ousted Sen. J. Glenn Beall in Maryland, and former state Democratic chairman James Sasser, who beat Sen. William Brock, R-Tenn.

Democrats also won the traditionally Republican seat in Nebraska, where the incumbent was not running.

But the big Democratic bulge came from the re-election of a troop of warhorses — names like Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts, Edmund Muskie of Maine, Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota, John Stennis of Mississippi and Henry Jackson of Washington.

Republicans also scored four gains — ousting

Sens. Vance Hartke in Indiana and Joseph Montoya in New Mexico, and picking up previously Democratic Senate seats in Rhode Island and Missouri where incumbents were not running.

While there were eight turnovers in the Senate — and the promise of more as the returns rolled in — the picture in the House of Representatives remained static. In the first 200 House races called, just three seats changed hands — all Democrats losing to Republicans.

Democrats will hold a majority in the House of the 95th Congress much like their present 290-145 edge.

Among the House winners were the only husband and wife team in Congress — Rep. Andrew Jacobs, D-Ind., and Rep. Martha Keys, D-Kan.

The men who will run the new Congress won easily. Humphrey, and Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-

W.Va., who are battling for majority leader faced almost no opposition. Rep. Thomas P. O'Neill, D-Mass., likely to be the new speaker, won by a landslide, as did Judiciary Committee chairman Peter Rodino, D-N.J., and John Anderson, R-Ill., third-ranking Republican in the House.

The big 92-member freshman class from 1974 showed no casualties in early returns, and likewise black and women members were winning re-election.

### Weather

Intervals of clouds and sunshine with just a slight chance of a brief light shower. High 49. Partly cloudy, windy, and turning colder tonight and tomorrow. Low tonight 30 and high tomorrow 39.

## Ammerman easy victor

In the wake of heavy voter turnout, Democrat Joseph S. Ammerman soundly defeated incumbent Albert W. Johnson for the 23rd Congressional District seat.

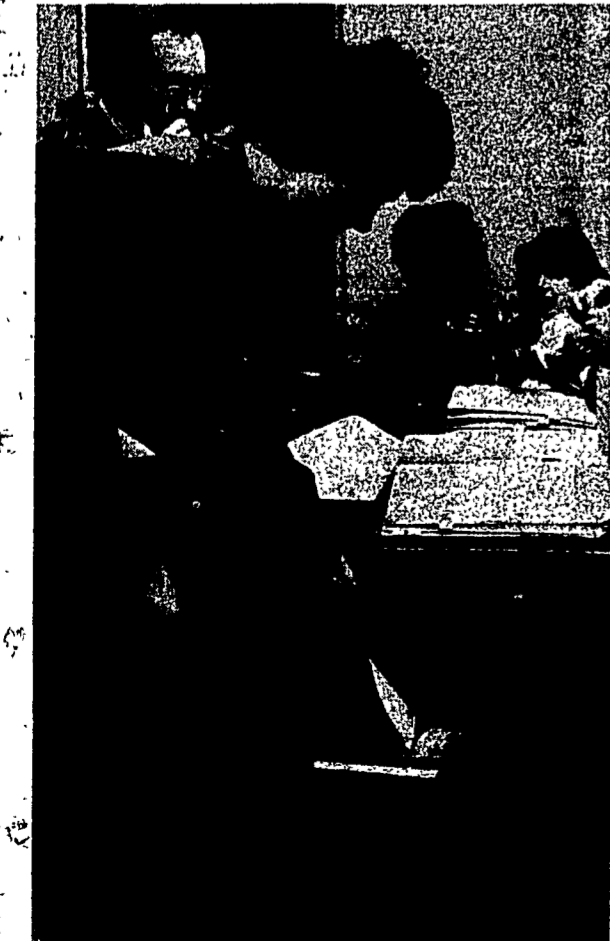
With more than 80 per cent of the district's voting population appearing at the polls, Ammerman carried a projected 7 of the 11 counties, piling up a more than 14,000-vote lead after incomplete tabulations early this morning.

Ammerman was well ahead of Johnson in Centre County with 58 out of the 80 precincts counted, receiving 14,046 votes to Johnson's 8,202.

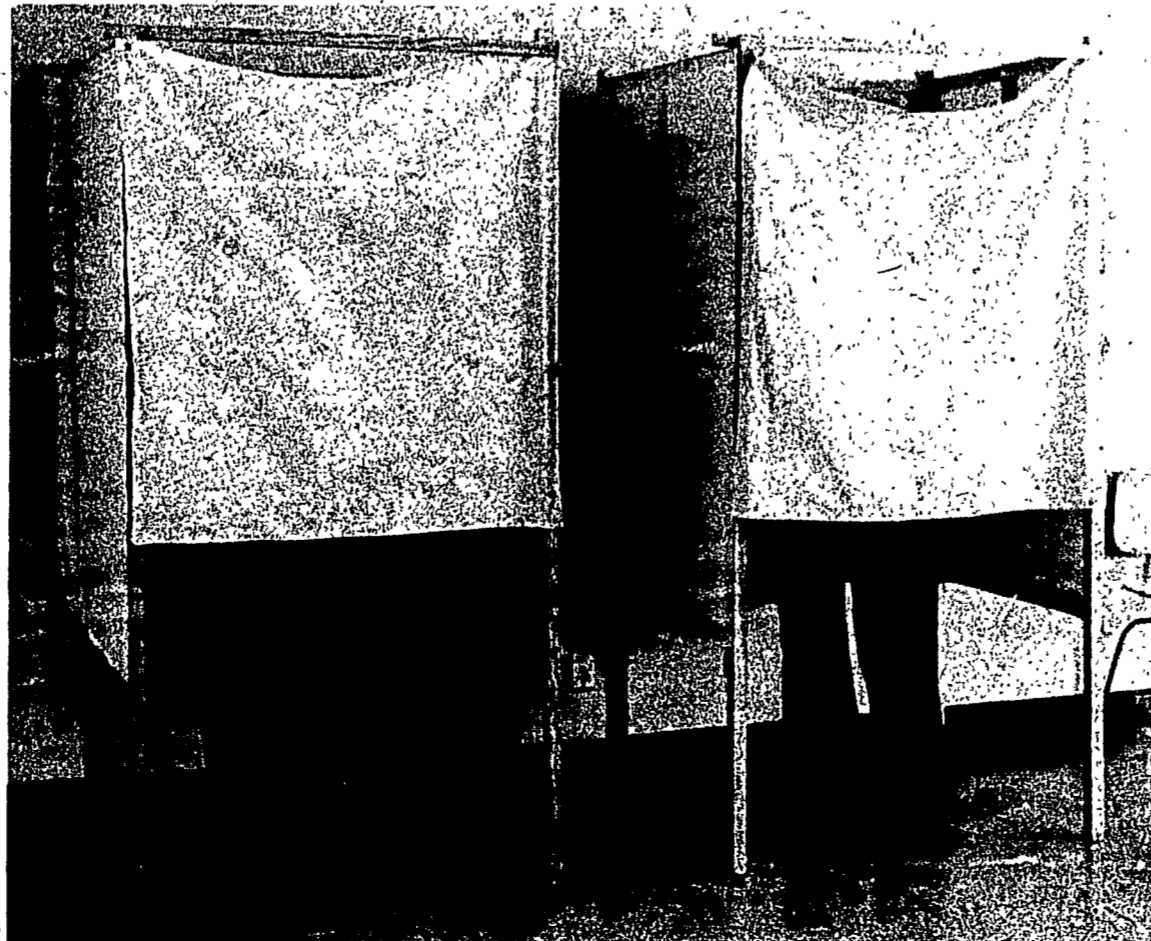
The victor, a state senator from Curwensville, ended seven consecutive years of representation by Johnson in Congress. Johnson was appointed to fill a vacant seat in the district in 1963.

Johnson won in his home county, McKean, with 8,334 votes to Ammerman's 6,052. On the other hand, Ammerman gathered in the majority of the popular vote in his home county of Clearfield by a margin of 16,053 to 11,343.

In addition to Johnson's Democratic opponent in this Congressional race, the Smethport Republican felt pressure from several political and environmental groups, the most notable being Environmental Action's Dirty Dozen Campaign Committee. The non-partisan organization evaluates all members of Congress every two years, and chooses 12 congressmen who consistently oppose environmental legislation. Johnson was one of the 12 chosen because of his supposedly negative stand toward environmental legislation.



Decisions, decisions



The State College area reflected a national trend yesterday with a heavy voter turnout. At right, Doug Borie (1st-science) turns in his ballot at Wagner Building. At left, other students vote after waiting in long lines in some polling places.

## Wise probable winner in race with Williams

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With 37 precincts in the 77th State Legislative District having reported at 1 a.m. today, Democrat Helen Wise is the apparent victor in the race for the State House of Representatives over her Republican opponent Albert F. Williams.

The unofficial voter count at 1 a.m. today had Wise leading with 4,088 votes compared to 3,369 for Williams.

Wise won 12 of 16 precincts that reported by 1 a.m. She won all four State College precincts that reported, with 12 remaining to report.

She is expected to do well in the remaining State College precincts, which include all of the campus precincts.

The other precincts that reported by 1 a.m. were rural areas, Wise lost four of these rural precincts by close margins. They are Union Township, Unionville Borough, and a precinct each in Ferguson and Benner Townships.

"I have held my own in rural areas where my opponent was expected to do well," Wise told The Daily Collegian in a telephone interview early this morning. "I have lost a few precincts, but not by a lot."

She also said she was confident that

she will carry the remaining State College precincts.

She said the four precincts she lost "are areas that tend to be more conservative" and she speculated that voters in those precincts may have preferred voting for a man rather than a woman.

Williams told the Collegian this morning he had no idea how the State College precincts, particularly the student precincts, would go.

"I'm not too sure what we have yet," he cited as his reason for not conceding the race yet. "It's still too early to tell," he said.

However, he suggested that the state going Democratic in the presidential contest may be a factor that could determine his chances.

Wise is expected to carry the campus precincts because of the endorsement she received from Undergraduate Student Government President W.T. Williams and also because she is a member of the University Board of Trustees.

Wise campaigned on a broad platform appealing to students and faculty interests. She called for a state law requiring minimum standards for municipal land-use planning.