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A funeral was held Tuesday for a "dying" house at 15th Avenue and Alder Street. See story, page 4.
Photo by James Link

In N.Y. primary

McGovern scores big win

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Political Writer

NEW YORK — Sen. George McGovern claimed victory "beyond our wildest expectations" in New York's Democratic presidential primary Tuesday night and said it put him on the threshold of first ballot nomination for the White House.

A complex system and a confusing ballot slowed the count of votes in a primary that chose 248 members of the 278-vote New York delegation.

Late count

The laggard tally showed McGovern had won 95 delegates, including 41 uncontested. But he was leading for scores more. In New York City, for example, McGovern had captured 16 delegates, and his supporters held the lead for 89 more.

McGovern's organization projected that his overall count of elected delegates would swell past the 205 mark. Pat Caddell, McGovern's pollster, said the South Dakota senator would gain 205 or 206 of the elected delegates. The 30 others are to be awarded in proportion to the primary outcome, and if the Caddell projection proved accurate, that would give McGovern at least 230.

That would put McGovern within 200 votes of the 1,509 it will take to choose the Democratic presidential nominee.

"It's probably not necessary for me to tell you that this brings us one giant step closer to the threshold of a first ballot nomination in Miami," McGovern said.

"I'm convinced now that we will win the nomination in Miami Beach," he added.

McGovern's campaign in New York was built around an effort to identify his delegate supporters. A campaign official estimated the total cost at about \$500,000, half of it for printed ads listing the McGovern delegates. McGovern volunteers undertook what has now become their standard voter canvassing operation—a system his organization already is planning to mobilize in an effort to register new voters and turn out their supporters in what they expect will be a fall campaign against President Nixon.

McGovern's personal campaign spanned a

week. Muskie made one appearance in Buffalo Sunday night, to remind Democrats he still is running. Humphrey appeared at a fund-raising affair in New York, but did no campaigning.

McGovern forces attended to detail. They printed palm-sized cards identifying their delegate supporters in each district. For the campaign subway ride Tuesday, they went in advance to buy 78 tokens and passed them out to McGovern's traveling party on the way to the station.

McGovern conferred in New Orleans with Chicago Mayor Richard Daley about Illinois' 92 uncommitted delegates to the convention, but said he didn't get the votes. McGovern said Daley disavowed any part of a movement to stop his nomination, but that the mayor told him he intends to go to the convention with the delegates he leads still uncommitted.

Muskie, Humphrey

While the votes were still being cast, McGovern's campaign rivals asserted from a distance that misgivings about his programs could jeopardize a ticket headed by the South Dakota senator.

At his Manhattan victory rally, McGovern said, "because we do represent a new coalition of political forces in this country there are some who have expressed fears about us.

"They have nothing to be alarmed about," he said. "We want harmony and justice, not bitterness and special privilege . . ."

In New Orleans, Sen. Hubert Humphrey described McGovern as the candidate of the establishment, and asserted anew that his positions on taxes, welfare and defense spending cuts are so unpopular that they would lead to Democratic defeat in the November election.

200 minimum

Sen. Edmund Muskie of Maine said that on the tour with which he sought to revive his own candidacy, he found party leaders "deeply concerned" about McGovern proposals on those items.

McGovern had set as his target a minimum of 200 of the New York delegates. He captured 41 of them unopposed.

300 students left without tickets as airline goes into receivership

By JOHN PIPER
Of the Emerald

"Lloyd Boeing 707 Polar Flights to London and the continent assure you an enjoyable fast flight to your destination," the travel brochure proclaims—but 300 University students won't get a chance to enjoy the charter flight company's promise this summer.

The airline—which until last week was booked through International Travel, Inc. of Oregon and Washington—has gone into receivership, leaving an estimated 15,000 persons in the Northwest on the ground with worthless tickets.

Bill Fidler, director of the ASUO International Education Center (IEC), told the Emerald Tuesday his office has been bombarded with phone calls from persons who wanted to know how to get their money back for the cancelled flights.

Law suits possible

The IEC didn't book anyone on any of the cancelled charter flights, Fidler said, but merely provides information and applications for flights as part of the Oregon Universities 1972 Annual Charter Flight Program.

Fidler said, however, that he is trying to find alternative flights to Europe for students on other airlines. ASUO Legal Services and Legal Aid are checking to see who is responsible for the cancellations and if law suits are in order.

"At this point, there aren't a hell of a lot" of flights available, he said, adding that he has been advising persons to wait until further details on the cancellations are available before taking legal action.

University not responsible

The IEC is responsible for helping students find other flights, Fidler said, but because no contract exists between International Travel and

the IEC the University is not legally responsible for the cancellations.

International Travel has filed suits in London against Lloyds, which went into receivership last Friday, but Fidler said he is not certain if both the travel agency and the airline are responsible for returning money from cancelled flights.

International Travel President June Eisenberg told the Associated Press that Lloyds had issued about \$700,000 worth of tickets, purchased through her agency, and that money for flights in June and July has already been forwarded to Lloyd's.

Fidler said there is still a chance persons can get their money back, but he is uncertain at this time about which procedures should be employed.

Lloyd's had been reliable

He said the IEC has worked with International Travel for about four years without any major problems, and described Lloyd's as a reliable airline which scheduled more flights, held to its schedule and charged lower fares than other airlines. International Travel changed to Lloyds from another airline last fall, he said, but the IEC felt the change would prove to be acceptable.

In addition to the lower fares and other advantages, Lloyd's also offered free charter bus service from Portland to Seattle, where the flights departed, Fidler stated.

As for legal action, a spokesman for the Consumer Protection Division of the Oregon Attorney General's office said his office probably won't take action against the airline, because the company has gone into what amounts to bankruptcy.

Fidler said he is hoping to enlist the assistance of the Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group to do a study of why the cancellation occurred, what can be done now and how similar problems can be prevented.

It is difficult to wait for information for someone who may have lost money he saved for a European trip, he acknowledged, but said that's about the only feasible course of action at this time.

Budget fails; 16% turn out

Eugene voters defeated the proposed \$22.1 million 1972-73 city budget Tuesday.

After all votes had been tabulated, the results stood at 3,007 yes, 5,083 no.

The 8,090 voter turnout is about 16 per cent of the total registered city voters, according to Barbara Shellenbarger, Eugene community relations officer.

"University precincts did not show a very large voter turnout," Shellenbarger stated. "These precincts did, however, show a small passing percentage," she said.

The budget will now go back to the city's budget committee where cuts will be made, according to Shellenbarger.

The western precincts of the city, which generally vote city budgets down did this time also, Shellenbarger said. "There just wasn't a large enough passing majority from the University precincts."