

Church, Reagan score wins

(AP) — Ronald Reagan beat Pres. Ford in the Nebraska presidential primary election Tuesday night. Pres. Ford won in West Virginia.

In Democratic competition, Idaho Sen. Frank Church scored an upset he called a miracle, defeating frontrunner Jimmy Carter in Nebraska.

That outcome stalled, at least temporarily, the nomination drive of the former Georgia governor. Carter won narrowly over Rep. Morris Udall in the Connecticut Democratic primary.

The two contests were sure to nourish the stop-Carter hopes of Democrats who want somebody else atop their party ticket.

And that could point to a revival of the long-shot effort to promote Sen. Hubert Humphrey, who has shunned the primaries but has declared he's still available should the party want him to run again.

The day's Republican balloting pointed to a likely split decision, an outcome that would not produce a major change in the GOP picture as the President

and conservative challenger headed into a crucial contest in Michigan next Tuesday.

Reagan, in Boise, Idaho, said he had won "a legitimate test in the Republican Party" with his Nebraska victory. He refused to speculate about the possible outcome in Michigan next week.

Reagan already had established himself as the Republican leader and Rogers C. B. Morton, the Ford manager, said that momentum was a key factor in the Nebraska verdict. Morton said he hoped it wouldn't carry over into Michigan where, he acknowledged, Ford will have to win to prove himself a viable candidate.

Church said a Nebraska win in his first primary test would be a miracle, a showing that would establish his credentials as a real contender for nomination.

Udall contended the Carter bandwagon had been stalled in Connecticut and Nebraska.

"Well," said Carter, "I can't win them all." He remained the overwhelming leader in Democratic delegate strength.

Biologist advocates socialized medicine

America's poor showing on world health statistics lists indicates the need for a socialized medicine system, according to members of the New American Movement (NAM).

"Medicine is a monopoly," says NAM member Jeff Gottfried, a University biology instructor. "The drug industry makes the highest profits after taxes of any industry in the U.S. except mining."

Representatives of NAM recently testified at a hearing of the U.S. House Ways and Means Health Subcommittee in Salem, at which Congressman Al Ullman, D-Ore., was present. Gov. Bob Straub endorsed a bill sponsored by Ullman at the hearings.

Gottfried says Ullman's bill, HR 1, is inadequate because it is a health insurance plan that uses private insurance carriers. "There's no reason why this intermediary (private insurance companies) that makes such tremendous profits should be there."

One of the popular alternatives to the Ullman bill, a bill sponsored by Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., and Rep. James Corman, D-Calif., "is probably the best bill we'll get this year," Gottfried says.

But even the Kennedy-Corman bill is "inadequate," Gottfried says the bill "still leaves the individual doctor free to raise prices to his heart's content." It would be funded through a tax that would fall heaviest on the middle class and the working poor, Gottfried says. "It's still an insurance scheme, and it'll be financed with a regressive tax."

Gottfried thinks medicine should be under the control of county-sized regional districts with high consumer representation in the administrative and policy-making process.

"There are so many countries that are doing better than we are in health care," Gottfried says. "Socialized medicine is not breaking them."

Board declines to support union

The EMU Board Tuesday hesitated to give written support to the efforts of the student employees union in their contract negotiations with the state. The action came after Jack Condliffe, chief negotiator for the union, Local 1893 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal

Employees (AFSCME), had presented a proposed resolution to the board.

The resolution, which the board tabled, asked for board support of AFSCME's efforts to secure a \$2.50 an hour minimum wage and a "fair share" agreement for the student employees of the EMU. A

fair share agreement stipulates that all employees, including non-union workers, must pay the equivalent of what members pay in dues. Condliffe says this is based on the reality that the union bargains for all employees and all receive the benefits.

The resolution further asked the board to give written notification to Pres. Boyd, Al McKenzie (chief negotiator for the state), University Personnel Director Jack Steward and EMU Director Adell McMillan, of the intent of the resolution.

In moving to table the resolution, board chairer Steve Beard said, "It's a question of impact as far as what it would mean." McMillan, who is an ex-officio and non-voting member of the board, felt the board was the inappropriate place to bring such a resolution because it advises the EMU management. She said adopting the resolution would support the opposition in effect, since bargaining takes place between management and the union.

In other action, McMillan told the board of the financial woes of the EMU food services. She said one possible solution to the problem is to allow outside food service corporations to bid on a contract.

Before such a move, however, McMillan cautioned the board to consider more information. "This is a big decision," she said, "and it can't be made in a vacuum."

Socialist speaks today in Black Arts Festival

Characterized as a "fiery black candidate" and an ardent supporter of women's rights, Willie Mae Reid has launched a campaign for U.S. vice-president under the Socialist's workers banner.

Reid will address students at 2:30 p.m. today as part of the Black Student Union's "Black Arts Festival." She will also answer questions during a 12:30 p.m. press conference preceding the BSU speech.

Both speeches will be held in the EMU, rooms to be posted. Born and raised in the "Jim Crow" South, the Socialist Party candidate says she has first-hand knowledge of the problems facing blacks and other working people in the U.S. A civil rights activist, Reid participated in the 1958 "ride-ins" and bus boycotts which led to desegregated seating on Memphis, Tenn., city buses.

The black candidate is currently touring the country mobilizing support for the National Organization of Women's (NOW) May 16 demonstration to demand passage of the Equal Rights Amendment.

Today's Black Arts Festival calendar will also include the staging of "The Streets of New Orleans" at 12:25 p.m. in the EMU breezeway. LeRoi Jones' "Dutchman" and three other plays will be staged for the second time at 7:30 p.m. in the EMU Forum.

Festival events will continue Thursday with three activities scheduled. The Eugene Community Gospel Choir will perform at 12:25 p.m. in the EMU courtyard. A beauty clinic, dealing with African head wraps, Afro hairdo grooming and African braiding will begin at 2:30 p.m. on the EMU's second floor.

Thursday's events will conclude with a 7:30 p.m. talent show featuring Gospel, blues, jazz and black poetry in the EMU Ballroom. All events are free to the public.

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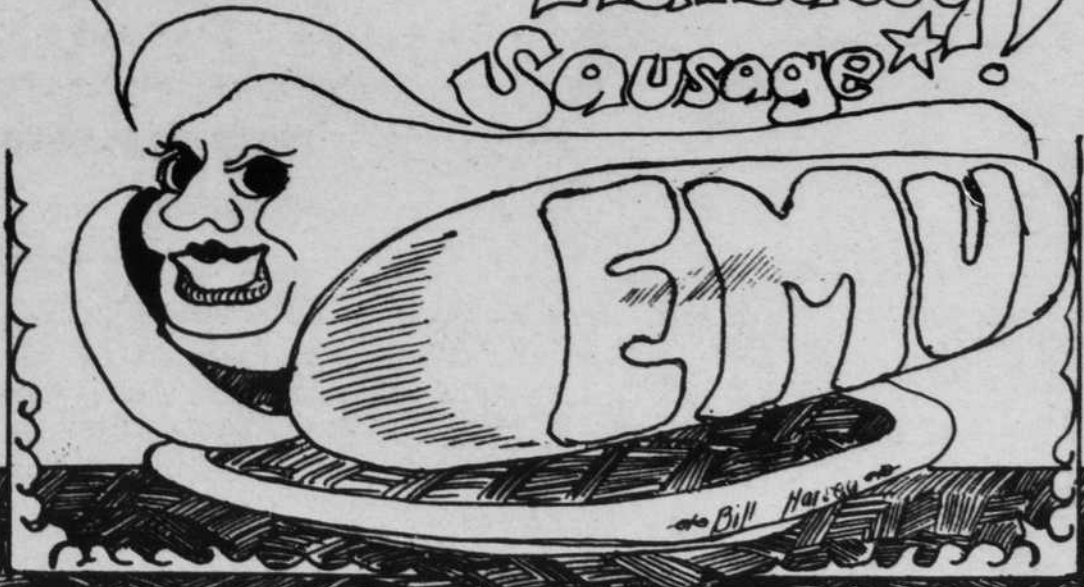
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