

Clinton wins historic nomination — with boost from Sanders

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PHILADELPHIA — Breaking a historic barrier, Hillary Clinton triumphantly captured the Democratic nomination for president Tuesday night, the first woman ever to lead a major political party in the race for the White House.

Delegates erupted in cheers as Clinton's primary rival, Bernie Sanders, helped make it official when the roll call got to his home state of Vermont — an important show of unity for a party trying to heal deep divisions. "I move that Hillary Clinton be selected as the nominee of the Democratic Party for president of the United States," Sanders declared, asking that it be by acclamation.

It was a striking parallel to the role Clinton played eight years ago when she stepped to the microphone on the convention floor in Denver in support of her former rival, Barack Obama.

This time, Clinton shattered the glass ceiling she couldn't crack in 2008. And in November, she will take on Donald Trump, nominated last week at the Republican convention in Cleveland.

Tuesday night wasn't all sweetness and light. Moments after Clinton claimed the nomination, a group of Sanders supporters exited the convention and headed to a media tent to protest what they said was being shut out of their party.



Carrie Pugh, left, Katrina Mendiola and Mayors Wegmann cry as Hillary Clinton officially becomes the first woman to be the presidential nominee of a major U.S. political party on Tuesday in Philadelphia.

Earlier, several hundred gathered at Philadelphia's City Hall under a blazing sun chanting "Bernie or bust."

In the main hall, the second night of the convention featured former President Bill Clinton, who was taking the stage to deliver a personal validation for his wife. Former presidents often vouch for their potential successors, but never before has that candidate also been a spouse.

Her landmark achievement saturated the roll call with emotion and symbols of women's long struggle to break through political barriers. A 102-year-old woman, born before women had the right to vote, cast the ballots for Arizona.

Martha McKenna, a Clinton delegate from Maryland, said the night felt like a celebration for

Sanders' campaign as well as Clinton's. She added, "The idea that I'm going to be here when the first woman president is nominated is overwhelming."

Clinton's campaign hoped the night of achievement, personal stories and praise

could chip away at the deep distrust many voters, including some Democrats, have of the former secretary of state, senator and first lady. Much of the night was devoted to introducing voters to Clinton anew, including three hours of speakers highlighting issues she has championed for years, including health care and advocacy for children and families.

"Tonight we will make history, about 100 years in the making," said Karen Finney, a senior adviser for Clinton's campaign. "What we're really going to focus on tonight is telling that story, and telling her story, talking about the fights of her life."

The stories were being told by a long list of lawmakers, celebrities and advocates. Among those pledging support for Clinton were the "mothers of the movement" — several black women whose children were victims

of gun violence. Clinton has met privately with the mothers and held events with them, and they've become an emotional force for her campaign.

Clinton aides believe a focus on policy is another way to rally Sanders' supporters, especially those who threatened to stay home or vote for Republican Trump. While the opening night was interrupted by boos and chants of "Bernie," there were fewer signs of discord Tuesday.

Trump cheered the disruptions from the campaign trail. In North Carolina, he told a convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars that "our politicians have totally failed you."

When Trump mentioned Clinton's name, the group answered with shouts of "Lock her up!" an echo of the chants at last week's Republican convention.

Trump has been a frequent target at the Democratic gathering, where several videos featured his comments about women and the disabled, and tried to discredit the real estate mogul's business record.

First lady Michelle Obama was a star of opening night, making an impassioned case for Clinton as the only candidate in the presidential race worthy of being a role model for the nation's children. President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden will speak Wednesday, along with Virginia Sen. Tim Kaine, Clinton's new running mate.

Bill Clinton had the spotlight Tuesday night. The former president has campaigned frequently for his wife during the White House race, but mostly in smaller cities and towns, part of an effort by the campaign to keep him in a more behind-the-scenes role.

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BRIEFLY

Favored by Obama, TPP deal draws ire at both Dem, GOP conventions

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's 30 chapters long and almost nobody has read it, but the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade deal is the unlikely villain at both political conventions.

In Philadelphia this week, opponents interrupted Democratic National Convention speakers with chants of "No TPP" and expressed relief that Bernie Sanders and Hillary Clinton opposed it. At the GOP convention last week in Cleveland, Donald Trump lambasted trade deals like TPP and said they'd "strip our country of its jobs and wealth."

Even Virginia Sen. Tim Kaine, Clinton's newly minted running mate, came out against TPP the day after joining the ticket, despite having praised parts of it just days earlier.

Especially striking for Democrats is that President Barack Obama, beloved in the Democratic Party, is the deal's chief advocate. Obama has worked tirelessly negotiating and then advocating for the agreement, making it a top second-term priority.

Yet while Obama is expected to get a rock-star reception at his convention speech Wednesday, that love-fest won't extend to trade, where he's now at odds with Clinton, Kaine, Sanders and the top Democrats in both the House and Senate.

Ironically, Obama's strongest TPP support has come from congressional Republicans, who joined with fewer Democrats last year to pass legislation expanding Obama's negotiating authority. Now completed, the deal awaits ratification, and the White House has said it's confident it can maintain the level of support it got last year.

Even many die-hard opponents acknowledge they're unfamiliar with the deal's ins and outs. The sticking points have centered on wonky policy issues like "data localization," intellectual property and market access — a far cry from hot-button topics like gun control, abortion and taxes that typically drive presidential campaigns.

So, why is TPP resonating? Opponents on both sides have made it a proxy for the fear that American workers are being left behind — in different ways. Where Trump talks about putting "America first" and outmaneuvering other countries, Sanders and Clinton focus on workers' rights and fighting corporate influence.

Islamic State group claims attack that killed French priest

SAINT-ETIENNE-DU-ROUVRAY, France (AP) — The Islamic State group crossed a new threshold Tuesday in its war against the West, as two of its followers targeted a church in Normandy, slitting the throat of an elderly priest celebrating Mass and using hostages as human shields before being shot by police.

It was the extremist group's first attack against a church in the West, and fulfills longstanding threats against "crusaders" in what the militants paint as a centuries-old battle for power. One of the attackers had tried twice to leave for Syria; the second was not identified.

"To attack a church, to kill a priest, is to profane the republic," French President Francois Hollande told the nation after speaking with Pope Francis, who condemned the killing in the strongest terms.

The Rev. Jacques Hamel was celebrating Mass for three nuns and two parishioners on a quiet summer morning in Saint-Etienne-du-Rouvray when the attackers burst in and forced the 85-year-old priest to his knees before slicing his throat, according to authorities and a nun who escaped.

The nun described seeing the attackers film themselves and give a sermon in Arabic around the altar before she fled. Paris prosecutor Francois Molins said the other hostages were used as human shields to block police from entering. One 86-year-old parishioner was wounded.

The two attackers were killed by police as they rushed from the building shouting "Allahu Akbar," Molins said. One had three knives and a fake explosives belt; the other carried a kitchen timer wrapped in aluminum foil and had fake explosives in his backpack.

One of the assailants was identified as Adel Kermiche, a 19-year-old who grew up in the town and tried to travel to Syria twice last year using family members' identity documents, but was arrested outside France and handed preliminary terrorism charges.

Kermiche was put under house arrest with an electronic surveillance bracelet after a judge overruled prosecutors and agreed to free him, Molins said.

However, the bracelet was deactivated for a few hours every morning as part of the surveillance agreement, Molins said — hours that corresponded to the time of Tuesday's attack.

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