

Upstate, suburban voters and men strongly supported Pataki, the poll said, while Mrs. Clinton had the support of New York City voters and women.

Asked which Republican they would favor in a primary for the U.S. Senate, 45 percent picked Pataki, 36 percent said Giuliani, and 8 percent said Lazio.

Quinnipiac pollster Maurice Carroll said both Mrs. Lowey and Lazio have a lot of work to do if they want to be serious candidates.

He said the two remain "virtually unknown in the shadow of giant non-candidates."

Asked to give them a favorable or unfavorable rating, 80 percent of those polled had no opinion of Mrs. Lowey and 79 percent had no opinion of Lazio.

Asked if it mattered to them that Mrs. Clinton may run for Senate in a state she has never lived in, 48 percent of voters said it bothered them and 51 percent said it did not.

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First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton will visit New York today.



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Rick Lazio (R-Brightwaters)

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She'll Do It Her Way

Clinton says she'll decide on a run at 'my own time'

By William Douglas
Washington Bureau

Washington -- Hillary Rodham Clinton said she will decide "in my own way and my own time" whether to run for the Senate, while Rep. Rick Lazio, a potential Republican challenger, yesterday branded her a power-thirsty outsider.

"You can't have somebody representing New York interests who is looking for this as a platform for power," Lazio (R-Brightwaters) said on ABC's "This Week." "And shame on the Democrats, frankly, if they can't find somebody ... who's from New York to actually run for the Senate."

Lazio's broadsides came as Clinton begins a pivotal week in deciding whether to run for the Senate seat to be vacated next year by retiring Democratic Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan and become the first sitting first lady to run for elective office.

Clinton returns to New York today for her ninth visit this year, this time to speak at a fund raiser for Rep. Nita Lowey (D-Westchester), who is poised to run if the first lady does not. The next day, Clinton heads to northern Florida for a vacation with President Bill Clinton.

The first lady is to use the six-day vacation to decide whether to run for the Senate or throw her support to Lowey. Advisers say they expect her to run but not to make a formal announcement until later in the year.

Clinton will likely signal her intent by forming an exploratory committee by mid-June that will allow her to raise funds to pay for her New York visits, according to her advisers.

But Clinton said Saturday night that she has not made up her mind. Speaking aboard Executive Foxtrot One, an Air Force C-32 jet, while returning from a tour of the Southwest, Clinton said, "There are so many issues that I have to think about."

Although she has talked to more than 200 of New York's

most influential politicians, union and civic leaders, Clinton said she needs to talk to more average New Yorkers.

"So I have to figure out a way to stage any sort of decision-making so that I can spend time really out there listening to people," she said. "... That is a big part of my deciding whether this is something that makes sense."

Clinton said she does not feel pressure from state Democrats who want to know whether she is in or out.

"I think it's very understandable that people in New York want to know what my decision is, and I fully appreciate that," Clinton said. "When I make this decision, I'm going to be there 100 percent, whatever it is, and I'm not going to, I hope, regret whatever decision it is."

"So I have to make it in my own way and my own time. And I have to do it fitting it in with all the other things that I am obligated to do, that I've been scheduled to do weeks and months ahead."

A pressing and still unanswered question for Clinton is how to perform her functions as first lady and still spend enough time in New York to try to deflect the "carpetbagger" label.

"Obviously, there are responsibilities that I will still have in this position that I'll have to fulfill, but I would just not take on any new ones," Clinton said.

Clinton would face another logistical headache: how to campaign spontaneously under the blanket of Secret Service protection.

As with the president, Secret Service agents travel wherever the first lady goes. Agents travel days ahead of her to check out places she is scheduled to go. Some of Clinton's advisers say she fears that would hamper her campaign style. The issue, the advisers say, remains unresolved.

Unresolved, too, is where the Clintons would live in New York. Both the first lady and the president said they had thought about moving somewhere in the state once the president's term expires.

Clinton's lack of a New York address -- and New York roots -- was foremost on Lazio's mind. He chastised her as "someone who needs an exploratory committee to find Elmira."

"This is someone who has never lived one day in her life

in New York outside the Plaza Hotel, who never paid [former New York Governor] Mario Cuomo's taxes," Lazio said.

When asked whether he was being used by Gov. George Pataki and former Sen. Alfonse D'Amato as an instrument against Giuliani, Lazio said no.

"I'm not the anti-candidate," Lazio said. "I'm in it because I think I've been a good legislator."

Marsha Berry, Clinton's spokeswoman, declined to comment yesterday on Lazio's assertions. But Lowey, who also appeared on "This Week," defended the first lady.

"I think New Yorkers care what you stand for rather than where you're from," Lowey said.

Clinton said Saturday that she's paid little attention to the goings-on in the state Republican Party: The jockeying between potential Senate candidates Lazio and New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, and the major announcement Pataki is scheduled to make today.

"I haven't really had much time to focus on that," Clinton said. "I have enough problems making my own mind up."

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Lazio Takes Aim At Hil, Rudy

By TIMOTHY J. BURGER
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WASHINGTON

Senate hopeful Rep. Rick Lazio showed off his jab yesterday, taking a few pokes at First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's ambition to run for Senate from New York.

Lazio, a Republican from Long Island, cracked that Clinton "needs an exploratory committee to find Elmira."

"This is somebody who has never lived a day in her life in New York outside The Plaza hotel . . . and roots for the Chicago Cubs," he said mockingly of the First Lady, who is originally from Chicago.

Clinton will be back in Manhattan today for a pair of Democratic fund-raisers. During a Florida vacation starting tomorrow, she is expected to discuss the Senate race with her family.

"I say, bring her on," Lazio said yesterday on ABC-TV's "This Week."

Before he gets to take on Clinton, however, Lazio will likely have to face Mayor Giuliani in a Republican primary, and yesterday he took a few shots at the mayor, too.

"I think he's a reluctant Republican. I think he's the wrong candidate," Lazio said of Giuliani.

"We need somebody who has not endorsed Mario Cuomo," Lazio added in a reminder that Giuliani had crossed party lines in 1994 to endorse Democrat Cuomo over George Pataki, the candidate of Giuliani's own party. Pataki won.



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And in a dig at Giuliani's famous temper, Lazio repeatedly emphasized that the Senate required somebody with the "right temperament," "somebody willing to compromise and bring people together."

Giuliani spokesman Matthew Higgins said the mayor "didn't see the interview, so we don't have any comment."

The Senate spotlight will shift back to Clinton today when she arrives in Manhattan.

She will raise at least \$500,000 for Rep. Nita Lowey (D-Westchester), who has said she will seek the Senate nod if Clinton doesn't. Clinton will raise hundreds of thousands more for whomever Democrats nominate for the Senate race.

2 Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) said yesterday on NBC that Clinton is "edging closer and closer to running."

But he cautioned that the First Lady would "have to put the running for the Senate first, ahead of being First Lady."

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Will Starr Hurt Hil for Senate?

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WASHINGTON

Friends and political allies of **Hillary Rodham Clinton** say it will take a major U-turn to take her out of the race, but she's still nervous that independent counsel **Kenneth Starr** — whom she is known to absolutely loathe — could foil her dreams of being the junior senator from New York when he files his final report later this year.

It's universally believed there's no chance the First Lady faces any legal jeopardy from Starr's four-year probe of the Clintons.

But any negative ink in Starr's report about her would damage her electoral prospects.

"She's in the middle of Whitewater, the travel-office firings and the missing Jones law firm billing records," worries one top Clinton source. "Depending on what he decides to say, Starr could hurt her."

Uncontrolled Muse

Did President Clinton do **Al Gore** a favor when he called The New York Times to talk about the vice president's sputtering campaign?

Some Clinton aides believe the President knew exactly what he was doing — delivering a brutal wakeup call in such a public way that even Gore's pollyannaish spinners couldn't ignore the message.

True to their craft, nevertheless, some Gore courtiers now say it was really just wonderful that their boss got zinged — enabling the veep to distance himself from Clinton by having aides pass the word he was mightily miffed about the President's condescending "help."

But others clearly saw the phone call for what it was.

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"This was Clinton in high uncontrolled muse," says a top presidential adviser. "He didn't mean any harm, and the fact is he would never do Al Gore any harm — he has a huge amount riding on Gore. But to put it mildly, this wasn't helpful. Now the entire world knows that Gore's in serious trouble — and that Clinton is very worried about it."

World's Bunker King

If Serb strongman **Slobodan Milosevic** decides not to sue for peace with NATO, military sources say one of the reasons he could hold out indefinitely is an elaborate system of underground bunkers throughout Yugoslavia stockpiled with supplies and equipment.

"The Yugoslavs are the premier bunker-builders," says one administration official. "There are thousands of them scattered throughout the country. They're so good at it, in fact, that most of **Saddam Hussein's** bunkers were built by the Yugoslavs."

Which is why U.S. intelligence agencies quietly sought out the Yugoslavs for technical details of Iraq's bunkers before the Gulf war.

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Babbitt to seek aid for ruins

May 25, 1999

By Tom Sluis

Herald Staff Writer

U.S. Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt, on a tour of Southwest Colorado on Monday, said he will seek federal money to help protect 156,000 acres of public land west of Cortez that is home to the highest density of archaeological sites in the nation.

"It is the most important archaeological landscape in the country," Babbitt said of the area that abuts the Ute Mountain Ute Indian reservation to the north, containing more than 100 sites per square mile.

Babbitt, with an entourage that included Colorado's director of the Bureau of Land Management and the supervisor of the San Juan National Forest, was on a fact-finding mission to determine the level of protection needed as more people use the area that includes the Lowry Ruins, Mockingbird Mesa and Sand Canyon.

"What's happening in Southwest Colorado is something I've seen take place in Arizona," the former Arizona governor said. "An area that once was taken for granted is becoming known to the outside world," causing a number of problems.

Although there is gas development and grazing in the area – dubbed the Anasazi Culture Multiple Use Area of Critical Environmental Concern – Babbitt said the wells and the cows were "entirely compatible" with the archaeological area because the BLM had done such a good job of mitigating their influences.

"Ironically, the real issue is people," he said, specifically the degradation to cultural resources by pottery hunters, vandals and even the thoughtless kinds by uninformed visitors.

"What we need is a certain presence to educate and inform people so there is no unnecessary destruction of habitat," he said.

Babbitt was short of details for his plan, saying he would return at the end of summer to see what stakeholders such as the Ute Mountain Utes, ranchers, oil and gas developers and county commissioners had to say.

He said then a plan could be adopted to take before the president and Congress.

Babbitt's visit comes on the heels of charges by U.S. Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell that Babbitt was considering a monument designation in Colorado, possibly in Southwest Colorado, without sufficient public input.

Campbell said in a May 12 letter to Babbitt that he was particularly concerned after the administration's "heavy-handed" monument designation of 1.7 million acres for Utah's Grand Staircase-Escalante Monument two years ago.

On Monday, Babbitt did not rule out the monument designation, but did say: "We learned some lessons in Utah – the need for getting on the ground and talking to people, and making sure there is a better understanding of what needs to be done."

When asked if Babbitt had any plans for the area, he said one of the great draws of creating a national park was that it allowed people to take a few steps toward educating themselves about the history of an area, but said that "I don't believe there is a National Park Service in the future for this landscape."

"It's too early to hazard a prediction of a management regime," he said.

Babbitt also said that he was not the first person to try and protect the area.

"I'm way behind Sen. Campbell, who recognize the problem in the 1980s" and who supported establishing National Conservation Areas for similar lands in the state, he said.

Ann Morgan, state director of the BLM, said there are thousands of unexcavated sites in the Area of Critical Environmental Concern and that the task is how to manage the area without endangering the artifacts.

"If we don't do something now, there may not be anything left 100 years from now," she said.



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First lady reveals grant

May 23, 1999

By Tom Sluis

Herald Staff Writer

The historic preservation pot for fixing up Mesa Verde National Park was sweetened by nearly \$1.7 million, first lady Hillary Clinton announced Saturday on the last leg of her Save America's Treasures tour of the Southwest.

Clinton's visit – the first to Mesa Verde by a sitting first lady – was geared to raise awareness of how the private sector can help public parks.

"I am especially proud to announce both public and private support to help stabilize and preserve the ancient cliff dwellings of Mesa Verde National Park," said Clinton, who is the honorary chairwoman of the Millennium Committee to Save America's Treasures.

"Through the Save America's Treasures public-private partnership, we are giving an irreplaceable gift to future generations."

Clinton told the approximately 1,600 people in the Far View Terrace parking lot that the money will be used in part to match the \$1.5 million federal grant that was awarded to the park last Wednesday.

She said the money is largely from private contributions, with nearly \$1 million from one Connecticut family, with the balance from corporations such as Mobil and American Express.

Clinton, who said she was wearing her 30-year-old hiking boots that she used to wear in Rocky Mountain National Park, was honored by Robert Stanton, the National Park Service director, with "the highest award the park service has," the honorary ranger.

Clinton was then presented with the traditional green and gray ranger hat and expressed surprise that, as the wife of a U.S. president, she was the first to visit Mesa Verde.

"Eleanor Roosevelt usually is the one to have gone there first," she said and laughed.

Richard Moe, president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation – the private-sector partner with the White House – said the National Park Service only had enough money to maintain 40 to 50 of the more than 600 cliff dwellings at Mesa Verde; a problem compounded by the 1996 fire that destroyed some sites and left 400 previously unknown sites exposed to the elements.

"America's national parks clearly need more money," he said, and private-public partnerships that have worked on preserving such historical sites as Ellis Island and Thomas Edison's home are one solution.

Clinton echoed those sentiments, thanking Mesa Verde Superintendent Larry Wiese "for waiving the fee so many people could come," but noting that it "is bittersweet that the park has to charge" fees to preserve and maintain the area.

She said the preservation was crucial because "too often these treasures are crumbling before our eyes," and the Mesa Verde artifacts tell a diverse history that the world needs to hear.

It's also a living history for Fernando Cellicion, one of the performers from the Zuni Pueblo Indians from Zuni, N.M.

Cellicion said the Zuni are direct descendants of the Ancestral Puebloans who first occupied the Mesa Verde region.

"A lot of people say the Anasazi died off, but a lot of people don't realize we're still living," he said.

Cellicion's group – all members of the same clan – performed the Pottery Dance, a tribute to the gracefulness of women derived from their daily practice of carrying water.

"It's sad to say, but it's one of our dying dances," he said before the dancers took the stage.

During the pottery dance, gusts of wind threatened to topple a pottery bowl one dancer balanced on her head, prompting her to remove it for the duration of the dance.

After the dance, Cellicion joked: "The dance is also dying because the pottery is so expensive."

The Ute Mountain Ute tribal dancers and singers also performed, including Fernessa Dutchie, 17, a sophomore at Ignacio High School.

She took part in a women's southern traditional dance, and later presented Clinton with a gift necklace that had a beaded medallion at the bottom.

When asked how it felt to meet the first lady, she summed it up with a smile, saying, "Nervous."



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First lady visits Mesa Verde

By **Electa Draper**
Special to The Denver Post

May 23 - MESA VERDE NATIONAL PARK - Hillary Clinton was on top of the ancient world Saturday morning when she became the first first lady to visit the internationally renowned park of 1,400-year-old cliff dwellings high on a mesa in southwestern Colorado.

Clinton bore gifts of more than \$3 million in public and private funds for park preservation - happily acknowledged by a crowd of about 2,000 drawn from the sparsely populated Four Corners.

"Usually, wherever I go in the world, Eleanor Roosevelt has been there first," Clinton said. She jokingly told park officials to check their records again to make sure Roosevelt hadn't beaten her. The 52,000-acre park, established in 1906, is visited by more than 600,000 people a year.

Wearing what she said were her 30-year-old hiking boots, Clinton negotiated the steep staircases carved into sandstone walls leading into Cliff Palace, the most famous of the park's ancestral cliff dwellings. Her private tour was guided by Peter Pino, a tribal leader from Zia Pueblo, one of 19 pueblos in New Mexico where descendants of Mesa Verde's early inhabitants live today.

At Far View Terrace, which overlooks four states, Clinton met with her public shortly after 10 a.m. National Park Service Director Robert Stanton and Mesa Verde National Park Superintendent Larry Wiese bestowed the service's highest civilian award, the title of "honorary ranger." Clinton wore her new ranger's hat throughout the hour-long ceremony.

Mesa Verde, once a settlement of 30,000 people, spanned the centuries from 550 to 1300. More than 4,000 archaeological sites, including 600 cliff dwellings, have been identified in the park, many of them revealed after a wildfire swept the mesa in 1996, damaging ruins and threatening park facilities, said Richard Moe, president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The Park Service has enough money to regularly maintain only 40 to 50 sites at the park. Too many of America's treasures are crumbling before our eyes but must be preserved because they tell the story of who we are, Clinton said.

"Bob Stanton's history is very different from mine," Clinton said of the African-American Park Service director. "And Peter Pino's history is very different from mine, but we are all Americans. It's a story of diversity that the world needs to hear."

"If we lose such places (as Mesa Verde), we lose our collective memory. We lose our opportunity to understand and respect each other."

The event offered its own contrast in cultures, with performances by the Montezuma Cortez High School band and the Bala Sinem Indian

Choir from Fort Lewis College. Zuni, Navajo and Ute Mountain Ute dancers also entertained.

Clinton praised third-graders at Foothills Elementary in Boulder, who performed "extra chores" to raise money for archaeological preservation through their Adopt-A-Ruin program. Their teacher, Marcy Lockhart, told them they could have "a hand in history," Clinton said, and they've collected \$2,750 for their cause.

Clinton announced help for the park in the form of a \$1.5 million federal grant and almost \$1.7 million in private contributions through the "Save America's Treasures" program, including a \$1 million donation by Sandra Wagenfield and Francine Goldstein, Connecticut residents who attended Saturday's program.

Clinton said being an American at the beginning of a new millennium is a blessing - but one that carries responsibilities.

"We can create a future worthy of all our ancestors," she said.

Acknowledging an important local anniversary, Clinton offered condolences to Cortez Police Chief Roy Lane and to the family and community that lost police officer Dale Claxton almost a year ago in a hail of gunfire from men who vanished into the surrounding desert.

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New York, the new home of wacky politics
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AP News Analysis

By MARC HUMBERT= AP Political Writer=

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) It used to be that California was the home of wacky politics, but New York seems to have taken the crown. Just look at what's happened in the past couple of months.

The prohibitive favorite for the Democratic nomination to fill the U.S. Senate seat being vacated next year by Daniel Patrick Moynihan is someone who has never lived or worked in New York. Hillary Rodham Clinton has lived in Illinois and Arkansas.

The front-running potential candidate for the Republican nomination for Senate is one of the nation's best known politicians, has twice been elected to the top job in a heavily Democratic region and has widely gotten credit for turning around the nation's biggest city. But New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani's biggest stumbling block to getting the nomination may be the state's Republican governor even though he has said he doesn't want the job himself.

Early in the past week, U.S. Rep. Nita Lowey of Westchester County announces she will seek the Democratic Senate nomination if Mrs. Clinton doesn't do so. The same day, associates of the first lady say they believe the president's wife will form an exploratory committee to help pursue her own possible Senate bid. The developments come just five days before Mrs. Clinton is due in New York City to star at a Monday night fund raiser to benefit the congresswoman.

A special election Tuesday to fill a state Senate seat in Rockland and parts of Orange counties has resulted in the state Legislature approving a bill to strip New York City of at least \$210 million annually in tax revenue and possibly as much as \$360 million. Giuliani has complained loudly. His fellow Republican, Gov. George Pataki, has vowed to sign the commuter tax repeal measure into law. All this stemming from a race that doesn't even threaten control of the state Senate, where Republicans have a 35-25 edge even before the special election. The New York Daily News editorially blamed "the jellyfish in Albany."

Pataki, in an attempt to boost his national standing among Republicans, has been traveling around the country preaching the need for tolerance within the GOP and party unity. At home, he is engaged in major battles with several fellow Republicans, including Giuliani and New Jersey Gov. Christie Whitman.

Staten Island's Republican Borough President Guy Molinari, a former congressman and father of the woman who gave the keynote address at the 1996 Republican National Convention, former U.S. Rep. Susan Molinari, says the Pataki administration is staffed by "rank amateurs" and that "maybe Giuliani was not all wrong when he endorsed (then-Democratic Gov. Mario) Cuomo" in the 1994 governor's race won by Pataki.

In a speech to a bankers group, Manhattan Democrat Herman "Denny" Farrell says that when he became chairman of the powerful, budget-writing Assembly Ways and Means Committee "I found out that one and one is not two ... One and one is whatever me and Shelly (Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver) want it to be."

In August of last year, a powerful Brooklyn Democrat, state Assemblyman Anthony Genovesi, was killed in a car crash. As is traditional, the state Assembly arranges a tribute to Genovesi to be held in the chamber when it is convenient for his family. The event is scheduled for Monday and his family, including several very young grandchildren, come to the state Capitol. Silver makes them wait until after debate is finished on the commuter tax repeal bill. The tribute begins after 9 p.m. and doesn't wind up until after midnight. The Republican minority leader complains about the "shabby"

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HEADLINE: GOP will take gloves off if Hillary makes N.Y. run: Among questions they plan to ask: Who pays for her Big Apple trips?

BYLINE: Paul Barton / Gannett News Service

BODY:

WASHINGTON -- The man who will direct Republican campaigns for the Senate in 2000 said the GOP can hardly wait to take on First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton in a potential New York match.

Her candidacy, he said this week, would energize Republicans.

"The best day she will have will be the day before she announces," said Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, chairman of the National Republican Senatorial Committee. McConnell's job is to raise money and help plan strategy for all GOP Senate candidates.

A potential bid by Hillary Clinton for the Senate seat being vacated by the retiring Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., has tantalized the nation's capital, New York and national political circles for months.

The two most often mentioned Republican candidates to oppose her are New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and Rep. Rick Lazio from Long Island.

McConnell said neither is "cowered" by the thought of running against the first lady.

Clinton is expected to use a Florida vacation with her husband later this month to make a decision about entering the race, with an announcement coming in early June.

The longer she plays with the idea, McConnell said, the more it seems she is serious about running.

But Clinton's sudden adoption of New York for political purposes will be more of a problem for her than Democrats think, he said.

"I think this widespread notion that New York is too sophisticated to care ... is one of the problems the first lady will have," he said. "The second is the government underwriting a campaign."

McConnell hinted Republicans will make an issue of Clinton's frequent trips to New York this year as first lady and will pose questions about how she would separate her official duties from obvious campaign swings paid for by the taxpayers.

"How many times do you go to New York over the course of three months," he said.

The situation is a unique one in American political history, he said, adding that there are no reimbursement formulas similar to the ones that vice-presidents have to use when they are traveling on the government's tab and running for president.

"I think it will rival the presidential race in terms of attention," he said, adding, "It will be written about, talked about and discussed in every state in America."

Like Vice-President Al Gore's bid for the presidency, a Clinton Senate race would serve as a referendum on the Bill Clinton years, he said.

Noting polls that show Gore running behind potential GOP nominees George W. Bush and Elizabeth Dole, McConnell said, "It seems to me there is a kind of fatigue factor with the Clinton years."

GRAPHIC: First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton is expected to use a Florida vacation with her husband to make a decision on the New York race. Doug Mills / Associated Press

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HEADLINE: Hillary Clinton Checks Out Suburbs

BYLINE: By ELISABETH BUMILLER

BODY:

Hillary Rodham Clinton made a campaign-style trip yesterday into the heart of the Long Island suburbs that would be crucial to winning a race for United States Senate, then came back into Manhattan for two more events to finish off a 13-hour day.

But in a total of six appearances before such Democratic constituencies as teachers, lawyers, women, Jews, members of minority groups and patrons of the arts, Mrs. Clinton made no teasing references to her potential Senate race, as she has in the past, and stayed within the bounds of First Lady.

Still, this First Lady's business is sometimes hard to distinguish from a candidate's stump speech. In an address at Hofstra University in Hempstead, she first mentioned her failure on pushing Congress to enact sweeping national health care reform, then described herself as a new incrementalist.

"I come from the school of smaller steps now," she said, adding that 3.1 million New Yorkers have no health insurance and that 1,500 children in New York may lose their insurance as they get older.

At a lunch for the Long Island Women's Agenda in Woodbury, Mrs. Clinton sat next to Libby Pataki, the wife of Gov. George E. Pataki. The Republican Governor has a quarrelsome relationship with Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, a potential rival of Mrs. Clinton in a Senate race. The two women praised each other in their speeches; Mrs. Pataki called herself "the warm-up act" for Mrs. Clinton.

Mrs. Clinton started her day at the Village Elementary School in Syosset, where she observed frogs in a classroom. "She did not seem to be playing to a broader audience," said Jeffrey Rozran, president of the Syosset Teachers' Association. "She was playing to this audience, and I'm grateful for that."

In the afternoon at the New York University School of Law, Mrs. Clinton presented awards to Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa and Dr. Alexander Boraine, a professor in the school's global law program. Dr. Boraine told the First Lady that "who knows, we may see more of you in New York."

In the evening, Mrs. Clinton attended fund-raisers for the United Jewish Appeal and the Whitney Museum. At the U.J.A. event, Mrs. Clinton, who once created a stir with remarks suggesting support for a Palestinian state, simply said she hoped everyone in the room supported the Clinton Administration's

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approach to the peace process. "We will stand behind any agreement the parties can reach and, similarly, we will oppose any unilateral step that prejudices the outcome of the negotiations," she said.

GRAPHIC: Photo: Hillary Rodham Clinton visited Hofstra University yesterday in Hempstead, N.Y., where she was honored for her work in health care. With her, front row, from left, were Harold Ickes, Basil A. Paterson and William J. Cunningham 3d, all from the law firm of Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein, the award sponsor. Behind her was Anthony L. Watson of the Health Insurance Plan of New York. (Vic DeLucia/The New York Times)

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First lady may not announce until August her bid for N.Y. Senate seat

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By BILLY HOUSE

Gannett News Service

WASHINGTON A top adviser to Hillary Rodham Clinton said Friday that she likely will not announce in June whether she will run for the Senate from New York, as has been widely speculated and may not do so until August.

Meanwhile, antsy and frustrated New York Democrats say Rep. Nita Lowey of Westchester County, N.Y., who says she wants to run for the Senate but will not challenge Clinton in the primary, is privately warning that she will not wait on the first lady beyond July 4th.

No word from Clinton by then, the Democrats say, will be taken by Lowey as evidence Clinton is gearing up for a Senate run and Lowey will announce she will again run for the House.

Harold Ickes, the Washington lawyer and former White House chief of staff who is counseling the first lady about a Senate run, said Friday she has not decided and he doubts she will even take the initial step of forming a campaign exploratory committee in June.

Clinton likely won't announce whether she will run until July, and perhaps as late as August, he said.

"She is still giving this very serious thought. It's a big decision for her," Ickes said in an interview. "I would not expect any definitive indication one way or the other in June."

Lowey, since early this year, has repeatedly said she would "defer" to the first lady, but otherwise would run in 2000 for the seat being vacated by Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

In an interview Friday, Lowey denied setting a deadline for knowing what the first lady will do. But she said, "I've said I need to know sooner rather than later."

Of the possibility that Clinton could wait until August to announce, Lowey replied, "I would hope that she would make it sooner than that."

"I'll be talking to her in the coming weeks," Lowey said, adding that she expects those conversations will clarify the situation.

Other Democrats say they have detected no animosity developing between the two women. In fact, Clinton is to appear at a fund-raiser for Lowey Monday in Manhattan.

But they say Lowey's sees July 4th as a deadline based on political reality.

While Clinton may not have trouble raising the expected \$15 million to run a Senate race in New York and put together an effective statewide organization, Lowey recognizes those tasks will not be so easy for a little-known congresswoman.

"It (July 4th) is the outer limits of discretion. It's the outer limits of being able to properly plan for herself and the party," said Paul Adler, Democratic chairman of Rockland County, N.Y.

He is among a growing number of party insiders and others who see evidence that Clinton has already decided to run and is in preparation.

"I can't blame her (Lowey)," Adler said. There are political realities at play. She has a safe (House) seat. And she's an effective voice in the Congress."

Westchester County Democratic Chairman David Alpert said Lowey also has told him that July 4th is "the line in the sand" for her decision.

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Though denying having set that deadline, Lowey said, "It's a major effort to run for the Senate." Though confident of her chances, Lowey said she needs to soon begin that effort in earnest.

Alpert, believing Lowey would be the stronger candidate, said he has tried without success to talk her into running for the Senate, regardless of what

Clinton does.

A spokesman for state Democratic Party chairwoman Judith Hope would not comment on Ickes statements about how soon Clinton may declare.

``We're confident, regardless of whether the first lady or Nita Lowey will be our candidate,' ' said Matthew Hiltzik of the party's prospects, rejecting some party murmuring that Demcorats could be left in the lurch without a prepared candidate if the first lady ultimately announces she's not running.

On the Republican side, New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani has said he's considering running for the Senate next year, and has formed a campaign exploratory committee.

If Clinton did the same, she could raise money and pay for travel costs to New York. Her trips to the state so far this year have been paid mostly by the government, prompting criticism that she is using taxpayer dollars for political purposes.

Since last week, there had been reports that Clinton would announce at least the establishment of an exploratory committee within weeks of returning from a Florida vacation with her husband and daughter late this month.

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Report: Hillary poised for Senate run

WASHINGTON, May 19 (UPI) First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton is set to form an exploratory committee to look into a run for a U.S. Senate seat from New York.

The Washington Post is reporting in its Thursday editions that friends and close associates of the first lady say it is virtually certain that she will run for the Senate. Clinton is reportedly keeping her options open and will slowly roll out the campaign.

A knowledgeable Democrat told the Post, ``The finger is one the go button. She just hasn't decided to push it yet.''

Clinton has warned associates she is not yet ready to make a final decision, but the newspaper's sources say she is past the question of whether she should run. Even the roll out of the campaign could be a lengthy process as the exploratory committee would likely be announced in July.

There are actually no announced candidates to run for the seat being vacated by the retiring Daniel Patrick Moynihan, who is a Democrat like Clinton. It is expected that New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani will seek the Republican nomination. Polls on a race between Clinton and Giuliani show the first lady winning the election in what would be a highly watched and tough campaign.

The existence of an exploratory committee, which would allow her to raise funds, would help quiet some criticism about Clinton's recent trips to New York eight since the first of the year that have mostly been paid for by taxpayers. Clinton, at the insistence of the Secret Service, travels on Air Force jets. Funds raised through the exploratory committee could be used to defray those costs.

Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., told the Post: ``It's obvious to anyone who sits down with Hillary Clinton that she is enthusiastic about being a senator.''

But, he added, ``you have to be a full-time candidate. He also said that the first lady needs to become ''comfortable with the risk she may lose.''

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McCurry sees Hillary Clinton winning Senate bid

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Former White House press secretary Michael McCurry predicted Thursday that first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton will run for the U.S. Senate in New York and win.

Asked if Clinton would run, McCurry said: ``Yes, she will and yes, she will win.'' Answering questions after a speech to a financial industry trade group, he added that he did not have any inside information about the first lady's plans.

Clinton has been weighing a possible run for the Senate seat being vacated by retiring Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan and advisers believe that if she decides not to run she will say so in early June. If she runs, she will likely face Republican New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

``It would be a fabulous thing to have Hillary Clinton in the Senate,'' McCurry said. ``I think she would be an eminently worthy successor (to Moynihan).''

Asked if the Democrats had a shot at recapturing control of Congress, McCurry said they were within ``striking distance in the House'' but it is ``harder to see'' such a comeback in the Senate.

McCurry stepped down as President Bill Clinton's press secretary last year.

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Giuliani spokesman Matthew Higgins said the mayor "didn't see the interview, so we don't have any comment."

The Senate spotlight will shift back to Clinton today when she arrives in Manhattan.

She will raise at least \$ 500,000 for Rep. Nita Lowey (D-Westchester), who has said she will seek the Senate nod if Clinton doesn't. Clinton will raise hundreds of thousands more for whomever Democrats nominate for the Senate race.

Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) said yesterday on NBC that Clinton is "edging closer and closer to running."

But he cautioned that the First Lady would "have to put the running for the Senate first, ahead of being First Lady."

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HEADLINE: Rank shouldn't have political privileges

BYLINE: Richard Cohen

BODY:

Droit du seigneur is the term for the alleged feudal right of the lord to take the virginity of his vassal's bride on the wedding night. It is the basis for many a play and one great opera, Wolfgang Mozart's Marriage of Figaro.

Droit du seignora is the term invented by me for the right of a first lady to get her party's Senate nomination in any state she so chooses. Hillary Rodham Clinton has picked New York.

In fact, she seems raring to go. Mrs. Clinton has made a list of likely campaign aides. It starts with former presidential assistant Harold Ickes at the top and includes Robert Shrum, a political consultant and whiz speech writer; Mandy Gruenwald, who probably would handle the advertising; and other veterans of Bill Clinton's presidential campaigns. Those people, she is saying, are the staffers she would choose if she were going to run. But that "if" has turned into a virtual "when" an exploratory committee within a month, a likely candidacy soon after.

This is an amazing turn of events. On the basis of her domestic dilemma, New York's Democratic Party simply has turned itself over to Mrs. Clinton. This is the party of Al Smith, Franklin Roosevelt, Mario Cuomo, Daniel Patrick Moynihan and the late, great Mario Procaccino, who lost the 1969 mayoral race to John Lindsay but left us with the term "limousine liberals."

The Empire State is loaded with political talents, many of them Democratic in ideology, and yet they all have moved aside to allow the first lady to get what, for some reason, everyone thinks is hers if she wants it.

The most prominent person to step aside is Nita Lowey, a Democratic congresswoman from Westchester County for the past decade. She is a declared candidate for the Senate but only if Mrs. Clinton doesn't run. If Mrs. Clinton does, then Mrs. Lowey is out, having recognized the eminent right of the first lady to represent a state in which she never has lived. With a bit more logic,

Mrs. Clinton could have run from Illinois, her home state, or from Arkansas, where she once was first lady.

There is something wacky about this state of affairs. By what right does Mrs. Clinton get the New York nomination by acclamation? What would be wrong with a primary fight in which Mrs. Clinton would have to explain how she is going to be first lady and Senate candidate all at one time? What would be wrong in having an opponent ask her if she isn't shortchanging the voters the ones to whom Mr. Clinton once promised an activist first lady? Those are legitimate issues the voters might want to decide in a primary. It appears, though, they won't have the chance.

One reason, paradoxically, is that Mrs. Clinton is the darling of feminists. But it is Mrs. Lowey who has built a career all on her own. No one ever heard of her husband, Stephen, a lawyer, although I am sure he is a fine fellow. What's more, Mrs. Lowey has been a champion of women's issues everything from the funding of breast cancer research to a no-equivocation defense of abortion rights. An opponent once called her "Bella Abzug without a hat."

Mrs. Clinton, on the other hand, is getting her current boost in the polls from playing the most conventional of female roles. No longer is she a policy-maker, health care czarina or some such thing. Instead, she has become the person she once dismissed: the stand-by-your-man wife of country music lore. This is a tune she now hums herself, although a Senate race would suggest that her standing days may be coming to an end soon.

Don't get me wrong. I am a fan of Mrs. Clinton's. I think she would make a dandy senator from any state. I say that as a citizen. As a journalist, I would far prefer a Clinton-Giuliani race to any other. But my selfish concerns are immaterial. The voters deserve a nomination fight, if only to see whether Mrs. Clinton on her own can be a credible candidate.

Just as Bill Clinton's sexual shenanigans taught America about America (Who thought he would survive? Who thought he would thrive?), so has Hillary Clinton's apparent Senate candidacy given us a lesson. She prospers in the polls (an 8-point lead over Rudolph Giuliani, the likely GOP candidate) not only because of her manifest abilities (she is a great speaker, among other things) but also because as a wounded woman loyal, suffering and all the rest she can take what she wants. It is a form of *droit du seigneur*. As for Mrs. Lowey, another feudal term applies: lady in waiting.

Richard Cohen writes for the Washington Post.

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HEADLINE: LOOKS LIKE HILLARY'S IN THE RUNNING

SUBHEAD: First lady faces tough challenges in New York Senate race

BODY:

Unlike weathermen, racetrack touts and stock brokers, a columnist should openly admit error. Or a screeching U-turn in opinion.

So a minor confession: I've probably been wrong about Hillary Clinton. The hunch expressed here was that Hillary would never run for the open 2000 Senate seat in New York. Nope, her encouragement of the political buzz was an ego-driven PR stunt. She'd enjoy the tease and dance away.

Having been chilled by Clinton's frostiness toward reporters - or kept 80 feet away - I couldn't imagine her exposing herself to the Godzilla hammerlocks of the New York press.

For someone thin-skinned about privacy, why would Hillary be a target for a rain of dead cats - Whitewater, the 'lost' law records, Webb Hubbell's tangle, Vince Foster's suicide, the health-reform fiasco? And Monica Lewinsky.

Why leap into a mud pit with bruising New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, already snarling that she's a carpetbagging left-winger?

Maybe the conventional thinking, as usual, is muddled. Shift my vote on Hillary from 'no way' to 'leaning yes.' Evidence is piling up: The lady's a pol edging toward the starting gate. It's beyond ritual first lady photo ops - riding a camel with Chelsea in Morocco, comforting Kosovo refugees in Macedonia. She's phoning New York county chairmen. Or schmoozing with spear carriers Harold Ickes and Rep. Charlie Rangel. Or stumping to cheers from Manhattan to Niagara.

'She talks like a candidate,' one Democratic chairman said. 'If it looks like a duck and walks like a duck, it's a duck.' Granted, Hillary-for-Senate will be trickier than tottering a tightrope over a pool of piranhas. Legal headaches

will nag. After she opens the usual exploratory committee, Hillary can raise money. Ten million dollars? No sweat. But carping's predictable: Taxpayers providing for a first lady's political trips will revive Bill's '96 campaign-money ghosts.

And don't discount New York's fickleness toward celebs.

Polls once rosy for Hillary now tilt toward Giuliani. His raging at carpetbagger Hillary - although Sens. Robert Kennedy and James Buckley were outsiders - could damage. 'She's not from anywhere,' sniffs pollster Lee Miringoff. 'She's from TV.'

But I suspect Hillary's No. 1 cheerleader is her marriage partner. Bill said recently that he asks wannabe candidates, 'Why do you want the job? If they can't answer in a sentence or a minute, they're in trouble.'

Hillary, I suspect, passed. But why would Clinton be enthused about his wife's political scrimmage? It's her turn? Monica guilt? It fits their post-presidential plan to live in NYC? Burnish the soiled legacy with Hillary in the Senate, Al Gore in the White House? His last chance to campaign? Who knows.

Get ready, Rudy. You're in for a rough ride, New York.

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HEADLINE: LAZIO TAKES AIM AT HIL, RUDY

BYLINE: By TIMOTHY J. BURGER Daily News Washington Bureau

BODY:

WASHINGTON Senate hopeful Rep. Rick Lazio showed off his jab yesterday, taking a few pokes at First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's ambition to run for Senate from New York.

Lazio, a Republican from Long Island, cracked that Clinton "needs an exploratory committee to find Elmira."

"This is somebody who has never lived a day in her life in New York outside The Plaza hotel . . . and roots for the Chicago Cubs," he said mockingly of the First Lady, who is originally from Chicago.

Clinton will be back in Manhattan today for a pair of Democratic fund-raisers. During a Florida vacation starting tomorrow, she is expected to discuss the Senate race with her family.

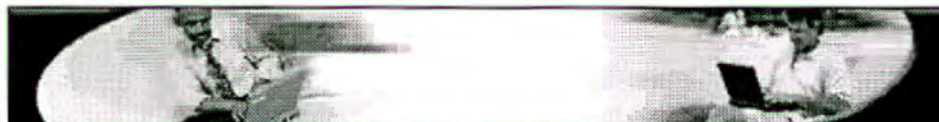
"I say, bring her on," Lazio said yesterday on ABC-TV's "This Week."

Before he gets to take on Clinton, however, Lazio will likely have to face Mayor Giuliani in a Republican primary, and yesterday he took a few shots at the mayor, too.

"I think he's a reluctant Republican. I think he's the wrong candidate," Lazio said of Giuliani.

"We need somebody who has not endorsed Mario Cuomo," Lazio added in a reminder that Giuliani had crossed party lines in 1994 to endorse Democrat Cuomo over George Pataki, the candidate of Giuliani's own party. Pataki won.

And in a dig at Giuliani's famous temper, Lazio repeatedly emphasized that the Senate required somebody with the "right temperament," "somebody willing to compromise and bring people together."



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Mrs. Clinton Commits to Move to New York

By Beth J. Harpaz
Associated Press Writer
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NEW YORK — Hillary Rodham Clinton made three speeches during an evening in Manhattan without saying whether she will run for U.S. Senate -- but she has committed herself to living in New York.

The first lady said she will definitely make her home in New York after leaving the White House, whether or not she runs for the Senate here. She made the disclosure during a "60 Minutes II" interview after being asked which New York baseball team she would root for.

"The politic answer, since I do plan to live in New York no matter what I end up doing, is I'll root for both," she said in the interview, which was taped May 20 and will air Wednesday night.

CBS spokesman Kevin Tedesco said there was no significance to her use of the word "I" rather than "we" since she used "we," clearly including the president in her plans, in other parts of the interview.

Marsha Berry, the first lady's spokeswoman, said Mrs. Clinton "and the president have discussed that they would like to live in New York, long before she was approached about this race." Berry said those discussions had been going on "for over a year now."

Mrs. Clinton has not yet announced whether she will seek the Senate seat being vacated by Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan. She appeared in New York City on Monday at a fund-raiser for Rep. Nita Lowey, D-N.Y., who will run for the Senate if the first lady does not. Mrs. Clinton made no reference to her impending decision.

Mrs. Lowey highlighted her solidarity with Mrs. Clinton, betraying no bitterness that her own political future might be hurt as she awaits the first lady's decision.

"Let the governor and the mayor have their petty feuds," Mrs. Lowey said. "While the Republicans in this state turn their backs on one another, I am proud to march forward shoulder-to-shoulder with my friend Hillary Rodham Clinton."

Mrs. Lowey's comments about the Republicans refer to New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who has formed an exploratory campaign committee for the Senate seat, and Gov. George Pataki. On Monday, Pataki said he had no intention of running for the Senate.

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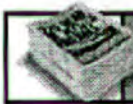
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She'll Take Manhattan

First Lady says she'll call Big Apple home

By JOEL SIEGEL and THOMAS M. DeFRANK
Daily News Staff Writers

Hillary Rodham Clinton, who is edging ever closer to running for Senate from New York, is moving to the Big Apple "no matter what I end up doing" after she and her husband leave the White House.

The First Lady confirmed she's in a New York state of mind in an interview with CBS' Dan Rather, airing tomorrow.

Asked whether she'd cheer for the Yankees or Mets if she runs for the Senate, Clinton told Rather: "The political answer — since I do plan to live in New York no matter what I end up doing — is I'll root for both."

CBS spokesman Kevin Tedesco said there was no significance to her use of the word "I" rather than "we." He said Clinton used "we," clearly including the President in her plans, in other parts of the interview.

The First Lady yesterday made her ninth trip to New York this year, headlining a political fund-raiser that generated \$1 million for Rep. Nita Lowey (D-Westchester), who is likely to be the Democrats' Senate nominee in 2000 if Clinton is not.



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First Lady and
soon-to-be New
Yorker Hillary
Rodham Clinton

The First Lady made no reference to her impending decision. She lauded Lowey as a "tenacious advocate for New York ... who brings people together."

"With Nita it's not about backroom deals and how many special interests you can satisfy, it's really about whether or not she can make a contribution to the well-being of her constituents, her state and her country," she said.

Lowey — placed in the awkward role of Clinton's political understudy — broached the Hillary-for-Senate issue without

any hint of bitterness that her plans are on hold:

"Let the Republicans argue. Let the mayor and the governor have their petty feuds. While the Republicans in this state turn their backs on one another, I am proud to march forward shoulder to shoulder with my friend Hillary Rodham Clinton," Lowey said.

"We are united and we are confident that on Nov. 7, 2000, New York will elect its first woman to the U.S. Senate," she said.

Clinton then headlined a Democratic Senate Campaign Committee fund-raiser before accepting an award at Lincoln Center honoring her advocacy work for the arts, an official duty that allowed her to partially bill taxpayers for the trip.

She began her visit at Le Cirque 2000, to help former New York State First Lady Matilda Cuomo launch her new book, "The Person Who Changed My Life: Prominent Americans Recall Their Mentors." Cuomo introduced Clinton as "our First Lady and our future whatever she wants to be in New York or in the United States."

Her "60 Minutes II" interview marked the first time the First Lady has confirmed what friends have said for months. Sen. Robert Torricelli (D-N.J.), head of the Democratic senatorial campaign committee and an ardent Run-Hillary-Run advocate, said in January that the Clintons planned to set up shop in Manhattan once their White House years end.

Torricelli said yesterday, "At this point, I'd be very surprised if she doesn't run. Preparations for a campaign are moving remarkably quickly."

Aides said the First Lady's political aspirations will be a prime topic of conversation during the Clintons' six-day vacation beginning today in Yulee, Fla.

With Kenneth R. Bazinet

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On latest New York trip, first lady helps raise dollars for Lowey

Rep. Lazio may join GOP field in New York Senate race

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WASHINGTON (AllPolitics, May 24) -- First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton is in New York Monday, again -- this time to help raise money for a woman who has her eye on the same New York Senate seat for which Mrs. Clinton is considering a run.

The first lady will attend a fund-raiser for Rep. Nita Lowey (D-New York). Lowey has said that she will run for the seat Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-New York) will be vacating in 2000 if Clinton does not.



Rep. Nita Lowey

The first lady has not yet announced whether she'll jump into that race. She is expected to soon take a big step into the political waters by forming an exploratory committee, but a formal decision is not likely until July.

Lowey told ABC's "This Week" Sunday that the first lady's decision will be "sooner rather than later." The one certainty, Lowey said, was that "the next senator from New York will be a woman."

The first lady will also attend a book party for Matilda Cuomo, the wife of New York's former Democratic Gov. Mario Cuomo.

On the Republican side, it seems GOP front-runner New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani may have some competition. Rep. Rick Lazio

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may have some competition. Rep. Rick Lazio (R-New York) said Sunday he is moving toward a Senate run in 2000. "I'm inching closer and closer," Lazio said Sunday, also appearing on ABC with Lowey.

Lazio, a moderate Republican in his fourth term representing Long Island, is already challenging the qualifications of the big name front-runners.

Clinton is not qualified to represent New York, Lazio said, since she's never lived there. "She needs an exploratory committee to find Elmira" he said.

"I say bring her on. I think it's a great opportunity for us to talk about who we are and what we stand for," Lazio said.



Rep. Rick Lazio

Lazio was also critical of New York City's mayor, who has already formed an exploratory committee to raise and spend money while he decides whether to seek the Moynihan's seat.

"I think he is a reluctant Republican. I think he is the wrong candidate. I think we need to have somebody who has not endorsed Mario Cuomo," Lazio said. In 1994, the mayor endorsed the incumbent Cuomo over Republican George Pataki, who won.

A statewide poll appearing Sunday in the New York Post indicated Pataki could be a strong contender in a Senate race against Mrs. Clinton.

Pataki is considered a potential GOP vice presidential candidate in 2000.

A statewide poll released Sunday by Zogby International of Utica, N.Y., showed Giuliani was favored by 49 percent and Clinton 44 percent in a possible matchup. The survey of 669 likely voters was conducted Tuesday through Friday and has a margin of error of +/- 4 percentage points.

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First lady says that after D.C. she'll live in NY

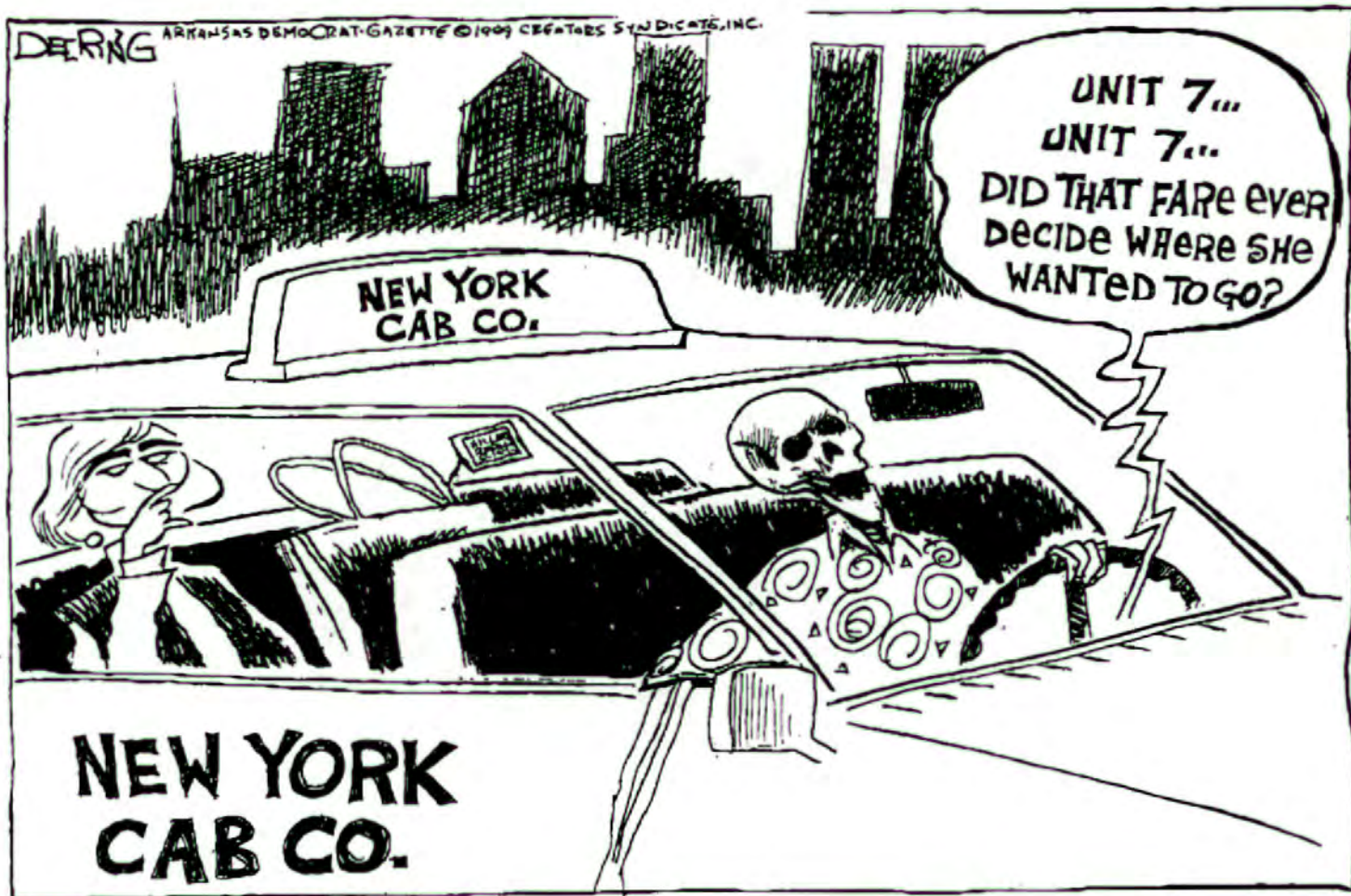
BY BETH J. HARPAZ
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HEADLINE: SHE'LL TAKE MANHATTAN HIL SAYS SHE'LL CALL BIG APPLE HOME

BYLINE: By JOEL SIEGEL and THOMAS M. DeFRANK

BODY:

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GRAPHIC: RICHARD CORKERY DAILY NEWS IN RECEIVERSHIP: Hillary Rodham Clinton was joined by former First Daughter Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg yesterday at Lincoln Center where the First Lady was honored by Americans for the Arts for her arts-advocacy work.

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HEADLINE: SENATE RUN LOOKING BETTER TO RFK JR.

BYLINE: BY MITCHELL FINK WITH EMILY GEST

BODY:

Robert F. Kennedy Jr. appears to be having a change of heart about running for the U.S. Senate from New York.

The environmental lawyer is reconsidering his political future three months after he asked that his name be withdrawn as a possible candidate for the Senate seat being vacated by Daniel Patrick Moynihan. Kennedy has begun telling political confidants that he will mount a Senate campaign if and it's a big if First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton decides not to run, sources say.

The 45-year-old son of Robert and Ethel Kennedy was initially hesitant to get into the race, fearing that it would take a toll on his family. He's the father of five young children.

But now he has done a 180, sources say, and will wait to make his move pending a decision by Mrs. Clinton.

Some insiders believe that Kennedy would be a stronger candidate than the other alternative to

Hillary, Westchester Rep. Nita Lowey.

The fear, according to one Democratic bigwig, is that Lowey "might not play upstate" because she's largely unknown outside New York City.

"Kennedy obviously has the name recognition," says the source.

Lowey's spokesman, Howard Wolfson, was not aware of Kennedy's plans, but says he expects "the entire [Democratic] Party" to support the congresswoman.

"Nita has been traveling around the state for the last six months," he said. "She is raising money. She is well positioned to run, and win, if Hillary

Clinton does not run."

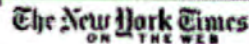
Kennedy did not return calls seeking comment.

GRAPHIC: Robert F. Kennedy Jr. may follow in his father's footsteps and make a run for the Senate from New York.

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By The Associated Press

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) -- After escorting Al Gore onto George W. Bush's turf, President Clinton is retreating to Florida for a few days of relaxation with his wife at a plantation where reticulated giraffes, cheetahs and rhinos roam.

The president and Hillary Rodham Clinton were heading out today for the White Oak Plantation in Yulee, Fla., after joining Gore here for an empowerment-zones conference at the University of Texas.

Clinton and Gore were touring the Rio Grande Valley empowerment zone and listening to anecdotes about how such zones, launched during Clinton's first term, are bringing new jobs and investment to neglected urban and rural communities.

They also were launching the Southwest Border Economic Development Initiative, which will pump federal resources into poor, rapidly expanding border communities. Clinton was announcing a task force to coordinate economic development along the border; the panel will report to the vice president.

For his part, Gore was announcing \$32 million in grants to help 70 communities redevelop brownfields, or abandoned, urban industrial sites contaminated by waste.

The conference is an annual event held by the vice president, who is seeking the Democratic presidential nomination. This year's gathering allows Gore to test the political temperature in Texas, a Republican stronghold where Bush is the popular governor.

The Clintons are going to Florida as guests of the Howard Gilman Foundation, which lets groups and individuals use its facilities for free, said White House spokesman Joe Lockhart. He said the Clintons were invited to the facility, but he did not say why.



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White Oak, located just across the St. Mary's River from the Georgia border, sits on a 7,500-acre conservation area. In addition to the giraffes, cheetahs and rhinos, it is home to Big Guy, an endangered Florida panther injured in an auto accident.

Those animals stand a better chance of seeing the Clintons than any of the reporters tagging along with them. Lockhart said Monday that the president and first lady -- traveling without daughter Chelsea, who is still in school at Stanford University -- have no plans to venture off White Oak's grounds.

The Clintons plan to linger in Yulee until late Sunday, so they can participate in a conference being held at White Oak by the Democratic Leadership Council and its think tank, the Progressive Policy Institute.

Lockhart would not say whether that conference -- or for that matter, the entire vacation -- would allow the Clintons to discuss the first lady's possible Senate bid.

"You'll have to ask the first couple that," Lockhart said Monday, prompting one frustrated reporter to reply, "When will we have that opportunity?"

Mrs. Clinton's spokeswoman, Marsha Berry, said the first lady plans to rest and relax and that's all. As for whether she would cull issues from the Democratic conference for her potential Senate campaign, Berry said, "She did say that she planned to spend some time thinking about this. I think she's thinking about that stuff all the time."

The Clintons were to stay at Roseland, a two-story, cedar-paneled, five-bedroom house near the St. Mary's River. There, they'd have a view of a white rhino who nests nearby with her 4-month-old calf. And Clinton can either relax beside the pool with a good book or play a few rounds on the nine-hole golf course.

White Oak was created by the late Howard Gilman, chairman and chief executive officer of Gilman Paper Co. in nearby St. Mary's, Ga., the largest privately held paper and building products company in the country. Gilman's father, Charles Gilman, established the plantation in 1938 as a family residence.

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HEADLINE: Hillary Clinton commits to living in New York

BYLINE: By BETH J. HARPAZ, Associated Press Writer

DATELINE: NEW YORK

BODY:

Hillary Rodham Clinton made three speeches during an evening in Manhattan without saying whether she will run for U.S. Senate - but she has committed herself to living in New York.

The first lady said she will definitely make her home in New York after leaving the White House, whether or not she runs for the Senate here. She made the disclosure during a "60 Minutes II" interview after being asked which New York baseball team she would root for.

"The politic answer, since I do plan to live in New York no matter what I end up doing, is I'll root for both," she said in the interview, which was taped May 20 and will air Wednesday night.

CBS spokesman Kevin Tedesco said there was no significance to her use of the word "I" rather than "we" since she used "we," clearly including the president in her plans, in other parts of the interview.

Marsha Berry, the first lady's spokeswoman, said Mrs. Clinton "and the president have discussed that they would like to live in New York, long before she was approached about this race." Berry said those discussions had been going on "for over a year now."

Mrs. Clinton has not yet announced whether she will seek the Senate seat being vacated by Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan. She appeared in New York City on Monday at a fund-raiser for Rep. Nita Lowey, D-N.Y., who will run for the Senate if the first lady does not. Mrs. Clinton made no reference to her impending decision.

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Mrs. Lowey's comments about the Republicans refer to New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who has formed an exploratory campaign committee for the Senate seat, and Gov. George Pataki. On Monday, Pataki said he had no intention of running for the Senate.

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Hillary Will Call NY Home / Plan regardless of Senate decision

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Hillary Rodham Clinton will definitely make her home in New York after leaving the White House, whether or not she runs for U.S. Senate here, the first lady told "60 Minutes II" in a quote released yesterday.

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Clinton and Rep. Nita Lowey presented a united front at a fund-raiser last night intended to send Lowey to the U.S. Senate - or to keep her in the House.

Clinton called Lowey, who plans to run for the Senate only if the first lady does not, "a public servant in the finest meaning of that phrase."

Lowey, for her part, said she was "proud to march forward shoulder to shoulder with my friend Hillary Rodham Clinton."

Clinton has not yet decided whether she will run for the seat being vacated by U.S. Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, and money raised at the dinner can be used for Lowey's congressional re-election campaign if the first lady goes for the Senate seat.

Lowey highlighted her solidarity with Clinton, betraying no hint of bitterness that her own political future might be hurt as she awaits the first lady's decision.

"Let the Republicans argue," she said. "Let the governor and the mayor have their petty feuds. While the Republicans in this state turn their backs on one another, I am proud to march forward shoulder to shoulder with my friend Hillary Rodham Clinton. We are united - and we are confident that on Nov. 7, 2000, New York will elect its first woman to the United States Senate."

Lowey's comments about the Republicans refer to infighting between New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who has formed an exploratory campaign committee for the Senate seat, and Gov. George Pataki. Another Republican, U.S. Rep. Rick Lazio of Long Island, on Sunday said he was "inching closer" to declaring himself a Senate candidate.

Mrs. Clinton made no reference to her impending decision.

Clinton's visit to Manhattan also included a party at Le Cirque 2000 to launch a new book by Matilda Cuomo, "The Person Who Changed My Life: Prominent Americans Recall Their Mentors." Clinton wrote the introduction to the book by the wife of former Gov. Mario Cuomo. Profits from the book will go to Cuomo's organization, Mentoring USA, which matches adult volunteers with at-risk children.

After the Lowey fund-raiser, Clinton was scheduled to appear at Lincoln Center to receive an award from Americans for the Arts, honoring her advocacy work for the arts.

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HEADLINE: First lady to mull over Senate run on vacation

BYLINE: By BETH J. HARPAZ, Associated Press Writer

DATELINE: NEW YORK

BODY:

Hillary Rodham Clinton made three speeches during an evening in Manhattan, but she said nary a word about the subject foremost on everyone's mind: whether she will run for U.S. Senate.

The first lady, however, will give a lot of thought to the subject over the holiday weekend while she vacations in Florida with President Clinton, her spokeswoman said.

"She's going to take the time in the next few days while she's on vacation to continue to think about it," spokeswoman Marsha Berry said. "I don't expect there'll be any announcement of change after she comes back. She's still working through the process of a lot of weighing both for herself and the people of New York."

The Clintons were to begin a six-day vacation today in Yulee, Fla., on a 7,500-acre plantation that is a conservation center for exotic animals.

The trip follows a busy evening Monday for Mrs. Clinton. She attended a party at Le Cirque 2000 launching a new book by Matilda Cuomo, received an arts award at Lincoln Center and spoke at a \$ 1 million fund-raiser for U.S. Rep. Nita Lowey.

The only references to her potential campaign came from others. Mrs. Cuomo introduced her as "our first lady and our future whatever-she-wants-to-be."

Mrs. Lowey, who plans to run for the Senate seat if Mrs. Clinton doesn't, said: "I don't know yet who will lead our march, but I do know the road. I am proud to walk it with Hillary."

Mrs. Clinton called Mrs. Lowey a leader on issues like gun control, abortion

rights and funding for health care and the arts.

"In every important issue, she's been on the front lines," Mrs. Clinton said. "She is someone who brings people together. ... She's truly a public servant in the finest meaning of that phrase."

The money raised for Mrs. Lowey can be used either for her congressional re-election campaign or for a Senate race.

At Lincoln Center, Mrs. Clinton received an award from Americans for the Arts for her advocacy of the arts. The award was presented by Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg.

Mrs. Clinton returns to New York twice in the next two weeks, for a June 2 fund-raiser for U.S. Rep. Carolyn Maloney in Manhattan and for a June 9 fund-raiser for U.S. Rep. Maurice Hinchey in Binghamton.

Also on Monday, "60 Minutes II" released a quotation from Mrs. Clinton saying she would definitely make her home in New York after leaving the White House, whether or not she runs for the Senate.

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President Clinton had discussed the possibility of living in New York in a CBS interview in March.

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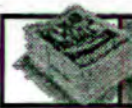
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She'll Take Manhattan

First Lady says she'll call Big Apple home

By JOEL SIEGEL and THOMAS M. DeFRANK
Daily News Staff Writers

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Her "60 Minutes II" interview marked the first time the First Lady has confirmed what friends have said for months. Sen. Robert Torricelli (D-N.J.), head of the Democratic senatorial campaign committee and an ardent Run-Hillary-Run advocate, said in January that the Clintons planned to set up shop in Manhattan once their White House years end.

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HEADLINE: First Lady Raises Money for Someone Else

BYLINE: By ADAM NAGOURNEY

BODY:

Amid new indications that she is preparing to move to New York to run for the United States Senate, Hillary Rodham Clinton returned to Manhattan last night as the featured speaker at a political fund-raiser for Representative Nita D. Lowey -- the Westchester Democrat who is hoping that Mrs. Clinton does not run, so that she can.

Even for a year that is turning out to be one of the more politically convoluted in recent New York history, Mrs. Clinton's appearance at Mrs. Lowey's \$1,000-a-head fund-raiser was an odd event. The First Lady helped the 61-year-old Westchester Democrat raise \$1 million for a potential race for the Senate, a race that Mrs. Lowey said she would forgo if Mrs. Clinton decided to seek the seat herself. Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan is retiring at the end of 2000.

Even Mrs. Lowey's aides acknowledge that it is increasingly likely that Mrs. Clinton will decide to run. The First Lady has instructed representatives to begin looking for a home for her and President Clinton in Westchester, according to a report that will appear in The New York Times Magazine on Sunday. And Mrs. Clinton told the CBS anchorman Dan Rather, in an interview scheduled to be broadcast on "60 Minutes II" tomorrow night, that she planned "to live in New York no matter what I end up doing."

Mrs. Clinton, in the course of her remarks to a hotel ballroom bustling with Democrats and television crews, did not allude to the topic that had most of the tables buzzing. Instead, she offered an effusive testimonial to Mrs. Lowey's record in Congress and never once mentioned Mrs. Lowey's Senate ambitions.

By contrast, Mrs. Lowey -- who has said she would run for a sixth term in the House if Mrs. Clinton runs for the Senate -- made humorous reference to their situation, and then noted the unusual fact that it is state Republicans, rather

than Democrats, who are feuding these days.

"While the Republicans in this state turn their backs on one another, I am proud to march forward shoulder to shoulder with my friend, Hillary Rodham Clinton," Mrs. Lowey said. "We are united -- and we are confident that on Nov. 7, 2000, New York will elect its first woman to the United States Senate."

It was Mrs. Clinton's ninth visit to the state this year, and inevitably reinforced a belief among Democrats here and in Washington that in the end she will run for the seat that Mrs. Lowey would like.

Mrs. Clinton has told friends that she is likely to form an exploratory committee -- it would be the first step toward running -- but has yet to make a final decision about actually running.

President Clinton has said before that he and Mrs. Clinton, who are expected to set up more than one residence after his term expires, would like to live in New York. Mrs. Clinton's friends told The Times Magazine that her representatives were looking at potential locations in Westchester, raising the prospect that Mrs. Clinton could have Mrs. Lowey as her Congresswoman.

In choosing places to live after the White House, the Clintons are known to be considering both security and proximity to golf courses, which is presumably what nudged Mrs. Clinton to look north of New York City.

Mrs. Clinton's itinerary yesterday allowed her to attend to both New York and national political concerns. She showed up at a book party for Matilda Raffa Cuomo, the wife of Mario M. Cuomo, at Le Cirque 2000. She attended an awards dinner sponsored by Americans for the Arts at Lincoln Center, and she also appeared at a closed-door fund-raiser for the Democratic Senate Campaign Committee.

At the fund-raiser for Mrs. Lowey, she praised the representative's record on abortion rights and gun control, among other issues. "With Nita it is not about back-room deals or how many special interests you can satisfy," Mrs. Clinton said. "It's really about whether or not she can make a contribution to the well-being of her constituents and her state and her country."

Mrs. Clinton's press secretary, Marsha Berry, said that because about half of what Mrs. Clinton did yesterday was considered official business, half the cost of the trip was billed to the White House and the rest would be billed to the political committees that benefited from her appearances.

One of the reasons that Mrs. Clinton is moving to forming an exploratory committee is that she has come under increasing criticism for making trips to New York at White House expense; an exploratory committee would allow her to

raise money to finance the trips.

If Mrs. Lowey was at all annoyed about how Mrs. Clinton's political ambitions were overcoming her own, she and her aides did not show it last night.

The Representative matched Mrs. Clinton, compliment for compliment. Her press secretary, Howard Wolfson, smiled gamely when he learned that the First Lady might be house-shopping in his boss's district.

"We'd be absolutely delighted to welcome the First Lady to Westchester," Mr. Wolfson said.

GRAPHIC: Photo: Among her other Manhattan stops yesterday, Hillary Rodham Clinton attended a book party at Le Cirque 2000 for Matilda Raffa Cuomo, who edited "The Person Who Changed My Life," 75 essays on mentoring. (Oier Mohammed/The New York Times)

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Hillary Clinton Said Undecided On Senate Bid
REUTERS 12.05 p.m. ET (1605 GMT) May 26, 1999

AMELIA ISLAND, Fla. — Hillary Rodham Clinton has not yet made up her mind about whether she will run for a New York Senate seat, her spokeswoman said Wednesday, responding to a report that the first lady has decided to run.

"She has not decided," spokeswoman Marsha Berry said in response to comments from the chairman of the Democratic Party in Staten Island, New York, that she told him she was going to run.

The party official, Robert Gigante, told the CBS News' "This Morning" program that Mrs. Clinton confided her plans to him during a fundraiser in New York Monday for Rep. Nita Lowey, the Democrat who would run for the Senate seat if Mrs. Clinton does not.

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Advisers says she is likely to form an exploratory committee in late June or in early July to enable her to raise money for travel costs associated with her frequent trips to New York.

Adviser Denies Hillary Clinton Running For Senate
REUTERS 5.24 p.m. ET (2125 GMT) May 26, 1999

AMELIA ISLAND, Fla. — A top political adviser to Hillary Rodham Clinton denied Wednesday that she told a New York state Democratic leader that she had made up her mind to run for a Senate seat.

The adviser, former White House deputy chief of staff Harold Ickes, said in a telephone interview from Washington that he had talked to Mrs. Clinton Tuesday about the comments from Robert Gigante, chairman of the Staten Island Democratic Party.

"First of all, she has no recollection of saying what Gigante says he said. I think there is a good-faith misunderstanding, and most importantly, she hasn't decided whether she's going to run or not. I've known Hillary Rodham Clinton for 25 years, and she doesn't blurt things out," Ickes said.

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Gigante defended his version of the story, saying that both he and his wife heard the first lady confirm she would run.

"Obviously this wasn't meant to be an announcement. I have no doubt she's running. Whether it was a slip, I don't know. But you can't put the toothpaste back into the tube," Gigante told Reuters in a telephone interview from his Staten Island office.

He said the reaction he has seen from Staten Island voters has been positive. "People here are just delighted," he said.

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N.Y. Dem says Mrs. Clinton said she is running; her camp denies
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NEW YORK (AP) — A Democratic Party county chairman says he knows the answer to the big question in New York politics: Will Hillary Rodham Clinton run?

Robert Gigante, Staten Island party chairman, said Tuesday that Mrs. Clinton has decided to run for the Senate from New York. Gigante said Mrs. Clinton told him so at a New York City fund-raiser Monday night.

However, Mrs. Clinton's top adviser denied the first lady told Gigante any such thing.

Gigante said he and his wife were making small talk with Mrs. Clinton when he brought up the subject.

"I ended by saying, 'Do you have any good news for Staten Island,' and she said, 'Yes,'" Gigante reported. "'Does that mean that you're running?' And she said, 'Yes.'"

Asked about the exchange, Mrs. Clinton's adviser Harold Ickes said that according to Mrs. Clinton, the first lady told Gigante that she is thinking it over and hasn't decided yet.

The Senate seat is being vacated next year by Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan. New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani is among the Republicans thinking of entering the race.

Mrs. Clinton is on vacation with President Clinton in Florida for the rest of the week. After she returns, advisers expect her to either rule out a Senate race or announce formation of an exploratory committee.

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Hillary Clinton to promote Southwest preservation today

By NANCY PLEVIN
The New Mexican

First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's visit this morning to the Palace of the Governors museum and its 18th century Segesser hide paintings will bring needed recognition to these national treasures, museum director Tom Chavez said Thursday.

"The building is the most important building in town, and the paintings are the most important paintings in town," said Chavez, who hopes the visit also will help generate \$30 million needed to build a museum annex and for preservation work.

Clinton plans to stop at the museum on the Plaza as part of a four-day "Save America's Treasures" tour of the Southwest to promote the protection of historic treasures. Other stops include the Grand Canyon, Acoma Pueblo and Mesa Verde National Park.

She plans to speak at the Palace of the Governors around 9 a.m. about the need to preserve both the building, erected in 1610, and the paintings, which were made between 1702 and 1730 on three bison hides and depict historic events during the state's Spanish Colonial history.

Chavez hopes eventually to move the palace's exhibits - including the paintings - into an annex and make the former New Mexico governors' home into a "proper history museum" with period rooms that "let the walls speak for themselves."

Clinton arrived in Santa Fe on Thursday night for a \$500-a-ticket reception at sculptor Glenna Goodacre's gallery on Upper Canyon Road to raise money for Cornerstones Community Partnerships, a nonprofit group that works to preserve New Mexico's adobe mission churches.

Goodacre said Thursday afternoon, while preparing for the reception, that she expected about 175 people to attend the wine-and-hors d'oeuvres affair, which will feature classical guitar by Antonio Mendoza. The first lady will say a few words before standing for photographs with reception-goers.

"We're expecting to have a nice visit for her and to raise a lot (of money)," said Goodacre, who met Clinton recently in Washington, D.C., during the unveiling of the newly minted Sacagawea coin that the Santa Fe sculptor created.

"We had a party at her house, and now I'm having one at mine," Goodacre said.

After the reception, Clinton was expected to attend another private event outside Santa Fe and spend the night at Rancho Encantado in Tesuque.



Today, after her Palace of the Governors tour, the first lady will head to Acoma Pueblo, west of Albuquerque, to see the famed San Esteban del Rey Catholic Church, where Cornerstones is studying the 17th-century adobe sanctuary's restoration needs.

Clinton will end her New Mexico stay with an evening visit to Albuquerque's Longfellow Elementary School - the site of sculptor Luis Jimenez's 1984 Fiberglas work, *Southwest Pieta*. The sculpture, which depicts a man holding a dying woman in his arms, represents the Mexican legend of the star-crossed lovers, Popocatepetl and Ixtaccihuatl.

Earlier this week, Clinton announced \$30 million in federal grants to protect treasures she said represent "the creativity and ingenuity that have always fueled progress in America."

Among the grants was \$700,000 to restore buildings related to the top-secret Manhattan Project in Los Alamos that unleashed the world's first atomic bomb more than 50 years ago.

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Adviser Denies Hillary Clinton Running For Senate
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AMELIA ISLAND, Fla. — A top political adviser to Hillary Rodham Clinton denied Wednesday that she told a New York state Democratic leader that she had made up her mind to run for a Senate seat.

The adviser, former White House deputy chief of staff Harold Ickes, said in a telephone interview from Washington that he had talked to Mrs. Clinton Tuesday about the comments from Robert Gigante, chairman of the Staten Island Democratic Party.

"First of all, she has no recollection of saying what Gigante says he said. I think there is a good-faith misunderstanding, and most importantly, she hasn't decided whether she's going to run or not. I've known Hillary Rodham Clinton for 25 years, and she doesn't blurt things out," Ickes said.

Gigante told the CBS News' "This Morning" program that Mrs. Clinton confided her plans to him during a fund-raiser in New York Monday for Rep. Nita Lowey, the Democrat who would run for the Senate seat if Mrs. Clinton did not.

"I just said to her, 'Do you have any good news for the people of Staten Island?' She said 'yes.' And I said, 'Does that mean you're going to run?' And she said, 'yes.' And I said, well, we're ready to work. And she said, 'I'm going to need a lot of help,'" Gigante said.

The first lady's spokeswoman, Marsha Berry, said in response: "People tend to hear what they want to hear."

Gigante defended his version of the story, saying that both he and his wife heard the first lady confirm she would run.

"Obviously this wasn't meant to be an announcement. I have no doubt she's running. Whether it was a slip, I don't know. But you can't put the toothpaste back into the tube," Gigante told Reuters in a telephone interview from his Staten Island office.

He said the reaction he has seen from Staten Island voters has been positive. "People here are just delighted," he said.

The first lady's friends and advisers say she is strongly leaning toward running for the seat being vacated by the retiring Democratic Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

She and President Clinton are spending the rest of the week in northeastern Florida for some vacation and to give Mrs. Clinton some time to ponder whether to make her own first political run for office.

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Mitchell Fink

How Rao's Wows The Celebrity Crowd

There's an easy explanation as to why it's so hard to get a reservation at Rao's: Everybody in the restaurant is having such a good time that nobody wants to leave.



That certainly appeared to be the case Monday night at the legendary 103-year-old East Harlem eatery that owner **Frank Pellegrino** calls "an extension of my mother's house in Oceanside, L.I."



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Frank Pellegrino

Revlon billionaire **Ron Perelman** was there giving a grand little bash for his daughter **Debra** on her 26th birthday. His party of seven toasted the night away, occupying a table usually reserved for producer and former French Connection cop **Sonny Grasso**, another Rao's regular.

Not that Grasso minded. He was more than happy to chow down at another table in order to help accommodate Perelman & Co.

Across the room, Mattel honcho **Bill Rollnick** and his wife, photographer **Nancy Ellison**, sat at a table under a strategically placed photo of themselves with **President Clinton**.

Also there was a large group that included Broadway producer **Fran Weissler**, best-selling author **Barbara Taylor Bradford** and Jack Benny's daughter, **Joan**.

When they finally got up to leave, their table was quickly snatched up by restaurateur **Giuseppe Cipriani**, who, on this night at least, chose to eat at Rao's over one of his own places.

All night long, the affable Pellegrino moved from table to table, chatting up the famous and near-famous and kissing just about everybody on both cheeks.

No one missed Pellegrino's eye, not even the guy who

regularly supplies him with soppressata, the Italian sausage. He was having dinner at one table near another guy who supplies Rao's with cheese.

The eclectic gathering was just like Mama used to have, Pellegrino said.

"She would cook constantly," he said. "The coffee was always on. People would start coming during the day, some even with their own food, and they would stay until all hours of the night."

"I do the same thing in my house," he said. Exactly the point.

Hil Talking Points

Hillary Clinton's ears must have been burning.

The First Lady was the hot talk Monday as plenty of A-listers weighed in on her impending move to New York and her highly anticipated campaign for the U.S. Senate.

Listen to what historian **Doris Kearns Goodwin** has to say about Hillary's political future.



Hamburg NEWS
Hillary Clinton

"The big risk for her is that she runs and loses," Goodwin told me at the Le Cirque 2000 party for **Matilda Cuomo's** new book of essays, "The Person Who Changed My Life."

"On the downside, there's the carpetbagger issue," she said. "It's not like she'd be running from Illinois, where she's from, or Arkansas, where she has lived. When Bobby Kennedy came to New York and ran for the Senate in 1966, at least he could point to the fact that he spent part of his childhood in Riverdale and Bronxville. And still he was stung by the carpetbagger issue."

Then there's the Clinton marriage. "He will not have her as a companion if she's a senator," said Goodwin. "She wouldn't be around to help him with his legacy, or his library."

But there is significant upside to her running. "If she wants to be President, she has to do it," the historian said. "If you want to be in political elective life, you don't give up a chance like this. She would have other shots down the road, but not like this one. This is the Big Apple."

But "if Hillary loses, she will carry the loss in her emotional psyche forever."

Goodwin isn't the only one thinking about our First Lady. **George Plimpton** loves the idea that she may move to New

York.

"It'd be great for New York," he said at Monday's Americans for the Arts National Arts Award Gala at Lincoln Center. "She'd probably teach at Columbia or the New School. The Clintons could go to Elaine's and get a regular table with **Woody Allen**. Of course, if she's in the Senate, she'd spend most of her time in D.C. Then it would be interesting to see where he'd go."



Alec Baldwin is looking forward to the prospect of a Hillary Clinton campaign, especially one that would pit her against **Mayor Giuliani**.

"I think Hillary would kick Giuliani's a-- up and down the Hudson," Baldwin stated at the Rainforest Alliance event that honored him Monday at the Chelsea Piers.

Corkery NEWS But the actor also confessed to being fed up with the current political climate in both parties. "If the Democratic and Republican parties are still going to go after each other in an ugly, vitriolic personality-driven way," he said, "then the country is headed for some watershed disaster."

But no matter what happens in the Senate race, Baldwin said, "I think Rudy is finished."

With Emily Gest

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HEADLINE: CLINTON DENIES SHE COMMITTED TO SENATE RUN

BYLINE: By Judy L. Randall Newhouse News Service

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Staten Island Democratic Party Chairman Robert Gigante said Hillary Rodham Clinton told him she will run for the U.S. Senate next year, but Clinton denies it.

"I asked her, 'Do you have good news for the people of Staten Island?'" said Gigante, who attended a fund-raiser Clinton headlined Monday night in Manhattan. "And she said, 'Yes.' So I said, 'Does that mean you're running?' And she said, 'Yes.'"

"I was stunned, stunned. We have a candidate!" Gigante said.

Gigante told the Staten Island Advance that Clinton made the statements during a chat with him and his wife, Barbara, as Clinton worked the room at a \$1,000-a-head fund-raiser for Rep. Nita Lowey, D-N.Y. Lowey has said she will run for the Senate seat if Clinton does not.

Harold Ickes, a political adviser to Clinton, said there had been "a good faith misunderstanding" between Clinton and Gigante. Ickes, who was not at the fund-raiser, said he asked Clinton about it Tuesday and she said: "I didn't tell him I was running."

"Gigante is a wonderful guy and has been a loyal supporter from the beginning," Ickes said. "She has not made up her mind." Ickes said Clinton will be "mulling it over" for the next several days during a Florida vacation with the president. "When she gets back she could say no, she could say yes, she could say nothing. All I can say is she has very high regard for (Gigante)," said Ickes, a former deputy White House chief of staff and longtime Democratic party activist in New York.

Clinton's staff has said she would announce her plans in June or July. But

New York state Democratic officials have been quietly urging that she make her intentions known sooner rather than later.

Clinton has made repeated visits to the state in the past two months. Her staff said she has decided to make New York City her home when she leaves the White House -- if not before.

Clinton has been running neck and neck in the polls with Republican New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who has all but announced for the seat being vacated by Democratic Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan. Perhaps as a measure of growing concern over Clinton's interest in running, Giuliani has been calling the Chicago native and Arkansas transplant a carpetbagger for whom New Yorkers would be wary of voting.

Previously, Giuliani said he didn't think her brief residency should be an issue.

Also in the Senate mix is state Rep. Rick Lazio, a Republican from Long Island. Lazio has been critical of Giuliani in recent days, calling him a "reluctant Republican" for the mayor's failure to take a more conservative stance on a variety of issues ranging from abortion and gay rights to welfare reform and a commuter tax.

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Westchester may be too pricey for the president

By JIM FITZGERALD= Associated Press Writer=

BEDFORD, N.Y. (AP) Bill and Hillary Clinton's Westchester County dream house won't come cheap.

At least that's the view of Sally Siano, a real estate agent who has found homes for several of the rich and famous in Westchester's horse country.

On Tuesday, as The New York Times reported that the Clintons were considering making Westchester their post-presidential home, Ms. Siano thought of four available houses that might suit them. The cheapest was listed at \$5.3 million.

Mrs. Clinton, who may run for the Senate, has said she plans to live in New York ``no matter what I end up doing.' ' And The Times reported that friends say she has people looking at houses in Westchester, where property values are among the highest in the nation.

The problem is, the Clintons aren't fabulously rich. Together, they earned just over \$500,000 last year and he'll soon be out of a job. What if the household has to get along on a U.S. senator's salary of \$136,700?

``Maybe there's someone who would buy a house for them and let them use it,' ' Ms. Siano said brightly.

Security and golf courses are on the Clintons' must-have list, which would seem to push them toward the northern end of the county, with its open spaces, its big estates and Donald Trump eager to turn much of it into sand traps and fairways.

Older southern suburbs like Scarsdale and Bronxville have cachet but real estate agents said there's rarely anything on the market there that would fit the Clintons' need for space.

One ``exceptionally large lot,' ' just over an acre, was on the market last week for \$3.1 million, but an acceptable offer has been made, said Vera Blendermann, sales manager at the Houlihan & Lawrence office in Bronxville. Too bad, because the place came with a guest cottage, ``perfect for the Secret Service.' '

Ms. Siano said security wouldn't be a problem at the places she has in mind, all in Bedford, where neighbors would include Richard Gere, Chevy Chase, Glenn Close, Ralph Lauren and tycoons Nelson Peltz and George Soros.

``There are a couple of big residences here, really big estates that have highly professional security systems, lights and cameras and all of that,' ' she said. ``You'd have to pay between six and 20.' '

The ``million' ' was understood.

The houses she has in mind range from 7,000 square feet to 22,000 square feet, from four bedrooms to 10. The \$5.3 million home has a pool house and ``a three-car garage building, a beautiful one, set aside from the house with an apartment above it. Chelsea could have her own house on the property,' ' Ms. Siano said.

If Mrs. Clinton can let go of the Westchester idea, Ms. Siano said, ``I have the perfect residence for her and she can buy it under \$4 million. It's in Pawling, in Dutchess County. It was the last house owned by Lowell Thomas. It's 50 acres, there are three houses on the property, with views of about three states.

``It's got the columns just like the White House,' ' Ms. Siano said. ``And it's white!''

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BC-POLITICS-GORE-HILLARY

Gore hopes Hillary Clinton runs for Senate

DALLAS (Reuters) - Vice President Al Gore said Tuesday he hoped First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton decided to run for a U.S. Senate seat from New York next year and he was convinced she would win if she did.

Addressing Hispanic-Americans at a gathering in McAllen, Texas, Gore said: ``If Hillary Clinton decides to run for the United States Senate, Tipper and I are convinced she's going to win and be a great United States senator. I think she's going to have a resounding victory if she runs, and I certainly hope she does.''

It was the first public comment by Gore on the prospect of Mrs. Clinton running for the Senate seat being vacated by retiring Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

Mrs. Clinton is said to be close to a decision to establish a campaign exploratory committee that would enable her to begin raising money for the race next year. Her likely Republican opponent would be New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

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BC-POLITICS-NEWYORK

Mrs. Clinton is Giuliani target at fund-raiser

By Ellen Wulforth

NEW YORK (Reuters) - New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, appearing at a major fund-raiser Tuesday, gave a glimpse of the type of campaign he might wage if he runs for U.S. Senate and if his opponent is Hillary Clinton.

Jumping on the carpetbagger issue that Clinton has no roots in New York, Giuliani donned a red Arkansas jacket and cap and announced he was headed to Little Rock, where the first lady lived when President Clinton was state governor.

"I'm going to say, 'I've never lived in Arkansas, I've never worked in Arkansas, I've never been to Arkansas, but I love Arkansas,'" he said to a crowd of some 1,700 supporters.

"In fact, I love it so much I'm going to be running for the Senate," Giuliani continued. "And do you know how I'm going to prepare for it? I'm going to come here and take a vacation, in Arkansas."

Giuliani has not officially declared his candidacy for the Republican Senate nomination but says he is considering it seriously. He has established a political action committee, has been raising money and has traveled around the country in hopes of building support.

Mrs. Clinton, who Monday made her ninth visit to the state this year, has said she is seriously considering a bid for the Democratic Senate nomination.

Making clear that he would not let voters forget that she has neither lived nor worked in New York, Giuliani then tackled another prickly Clinton issue.

"Just exactly where," he asked the crowd, "is the Whitewater River?"

Political observers have cautioned that should Clinton run, the oft-acerbic and pugnacious mayor is likely to wage a hard-hitting campaign and raise such issues as carpetbagging, the White House sex scandal and the Whitewater real estate investigation.

Giuliani's fund-raiser featured an address by Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, brother of the Republican Party's presidential front-runner, Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

The bash, which was held at a midtown Manhattan hotel and which organizers said raised \$2.1 million, was the latest in a whirl of political fund-raising here this week.

On Monday, Republican Gov. George Pataki held a news conference, the contents of which had been cloaked in secrecy and which stirred much speculation, to announce that he would endorse George W. Bush in the presidential race.

The first lady, meanwhile, appeared at a fund-raiser for Democratic Rep. Nita Lowey, who plans to run for the Senate nomination if Clinton does not.

The \$1,000-a-plate Lowey event raised almost \$1 million, organizers said.

Advisers to Clinton say they believe if she decides she does not want to run, she will say so early next month after a Florida vacation with the president.

The Senate seat is being vacated by retiring Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

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How many more hints can Hillary Rodham Clinton give that she is leaning toward running for a Senate seat from New York. Whether she will or not remains to be seen since she is playing her cards close to her chest. And she is not expected to announce before getting a reality check on her chances, fund-raising possibilities and all other aspects of a major campaign, starting with the "exploratory committee" she intends to form. She has already publicly announced that she plans to live in New York, no matter what, after she moves out of the White House. In recent years, the first lady has spent more time on the road and on world travels than at the White House. In some ways, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. has not had the allure for her as it has for some former first ladies. Her role in the Executive Mansion has appeared more obligatory than one of a mistress who genuinely enjoys and cherishes her historic surroundings. She has been reclusive at the White House except when she is engaged in official entertaining. Other first ladies have had pals from the past who visit. Bess Truman often invited her lady friends from the Trumans' hometown of Independence, Mo., to visit her at the White House, although she was not enchanted with Washington. Mamie Eisenhower had her card-playing buddies. Jacqu

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BYLINE: BY HELEN THOMAS UPI White House Reporter

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If she decides to run for New York Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan's Senate seat, friends say Hillary Rodham Clinton will put off publishing her forthcoming book on White House entertaining. One friend said the first lady feels it might have too much of a Martha Stewart feel. She also wants to shed the White House and carpetbagger image if she decides to run. Some of her problems in running will be collecting money and distancing herself from the White House and any appearance of a conflict -- such as using government transportation, which the Secret Service would want her to do. On political trips, she would have to reimburse the government. The first lady is expected to make her decision soon after threshing out the pros and cons with her husband during their Florida vacation. All systems appear to be go, but the problem of having to be in two places at once may be difficult to overcome -- unless she designates Tipper Gore, wife of the vice president, as her social surrogate at the White House. But Gore will have other chores, such as helping to get her husband the Democratic presidential nomination, and if that succeeds, the presidency. ---

Former White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater is steering clear of politics and writing a novel. Now a newlywed, Fitzwater -- who handled press relations for both President Reagan and Bush at the White House -- has never seemed happier. He wrote another book, during his time at the White House, entitled "Call the Briefing." It was nonfiction and he told it very much like it was. ---

After being embarrassed by reports that his presidential campaign was struggling, Vice President Al Gore had a good week in the press. Of course, there was the bit about him casting the tie-breaking vote in the Senate on a key piece of gun control legislation. But that was largely due to luck, as well as the failure of the Senate's Republican leadership to count votes ahead of time and anticipate the positive publicity about to accrue for Gore. Gore got another piece of good publicity from an action clearly more calculated: When it

came time for the White House to announce federal aid for storm damage in Iowa, President Clinton handed the task to Gore, his favorite candidate in the race to succeed him. Although such announcements are usually distributed in written form and without the participation of the vice president, the White House took the opportunity of the Iowa aid declaration to produce a radio address in which Gore said he and his wife Tipper "are deeply concerned about the terrible losses suffered by many Iowa families." Gore's personal concern for a particular state, while rare, is not totally without precedent. Back on July 2, the vice president issued aid declarations for both Iowa and New Hampshire, which happen to be the first two states to vote for major party nominees each presidential election year. ---

Political correctness is about to come to Air Force One. For the past several years, passengers on the presidential 747 have on occasion been treated, at the start of their flight, to one of those videos instructing them how to put on their seat belts and react to an emergency. It's a lot like the videos on commercial airliners, although there are some elements unique to Air Force One. For instance, the Air Force officers just point out where to find the life vests, but pretty much assume their oh-so-sophisticated audience knows the details of how to use them. Similarly, there's no request to adjust seatbacks or stow tray tables. Also, unlike most commercial jets, Air Force One is shown on the video with its escape chutes actually deployed, including a few casually dressed crew members laughing it up as they demonstrate inside a hangar how much fun it is to slide down the inflatable plastic tubes. And, of course, there's the seat belt buckles emblazoned with the presidential seal. Soon, however, the friendly and familiar video will be retired. The Air Force One bosses have decided, after watching the competition, to hire a company used by Delta Air Lines to produce a new animated version of its pre-flight video. The new one, according to those involved, will include a more racially diverse cast of characters introducing the safety features of the president's jetliner. Not that it all matters too much. The current video is usually only shown about once every half-dozen flights. And unlike on commercial flights, the audio is not broadcast over the public address system, meaning any passengers actually wanting to listen need to grab themselves a set of headphones. ---

As first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton moves toward a possible run for the Senate from New York state, she will likely need to establish her own measure of political independence from the White House. As a start, she might want to consider her own distinct speechwriting team. During the first couple's recent visit with students of Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., Mrs. Clinton said the shooting rampage by two students against their classmates "has pierced the heart of America." Her husband followed by telling the Columbine students: "We know somehow that what happened to you has pierced the soul of America." ---

While others are planning Fourth of July vacations, President Clinton is

planning to take a bipartisan group of CEOs and members of Congress on a tour of economically distressed American communities to highlight opportunities for innovations and creative projects to help the people. Among the stops will be Appalachia and Native American reservations. The three-day tour starts July 5.

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QUITE apart from the major hurdle of actually getting herself elected, I foresee enormous difficulties for Hillary Rodham Clinton if she does decide to run for the Senate from New York while still First Lady.

These were apparent the other night when Clinton dropped by Le Cirque 2000 to launch Matilda Cuomo's inspiring new book, "The Person Who Changed My Life," for which the First Lady wrote the foreword.

TV crews, photographers and reporters (some of whom arrived two hours before Clinton was due) were herded behind a rope far from the dais where she was to speak.

Some of the photographers dashed out for ladders and long lenses; the CNN crew decided there was no point filming at such a distance, and departed. Everyone was very angry at being forced to the back of the bus, as it were.

The Secret Service detail accompanying Clinton shrugged it off. That's the way it's always done with the First Lady, one agent said. Well, it may work in D.C. and even Little Rock, but it's not the way it's done here. If the media don't get access, the candidate doesn't get coverage.

Hillary's scheduling also teed off a lot of very influential New Yorkers, all potential donors, who'd sloshed through the storms and were expecting to at least get within a few feet of her.

Instead, after posing for a picture in the library with those featured in the book (like Tony Bennett, Helen Gurley Brown, Kitty Carlisle Hart, Stanley Tucci and Muriel Siebert), Hillary made a brief speech and dashed off to her next function.

You just can't campaign that way in New York, where egos are enormous and where the press people aren't used to being fobbed off with some pre-programmed photo op. Then there are all those smoke-filled rooms - and we all know how Hillary hates smokers.

I still don't think she'll run, but am pleased to see her confirming she'll live here after the White House. Three weeks ago, I reported that her people were looking at property in Westchester and Long Island, close to the United Nations for her and to JFK Airport for Bill.

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N.Y. Dem says Mrs. Clinton said she is running; her camp denies
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NEW YORK (AP) — A Democratic Party county chairman says he knows the answer to the big question in New York politics: Will Hillary Rodham Clinton run?

Robert Gigante, Staten Island party chairman, said Tuesday that Mrs. Clinton has decided to run for the Senate from New York. Gigante said Mrs. Clinton told him so at a New York City fund-raiser Monday night.

However, Mrs. Clinton's top adviser denied the first lady told Gigante any such thing.

Gigante said he and his wife were making small talk with Mrs. Clinton when he brought up the subject.

"I ended by saying, 'Do you have any good news for Staten Island,' and she said, 'Yes,'" Gigante reported. "'Does that mean that you're running?' And she said, 'Yes.'"

Asked about the exchange, Mrs. Clinton's adviser Harold Ickes said that according to Mrs. Clinton, the first lady told Gigante that she is thinking it over and hasn't decided yet.

The Senate seat is being vacated next year by Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan. New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani is among the Republicans thinking of entering the race.

Mrs. Clinton is on vacation with President Clinton in Florida for the rest of the week. After she returns, advisers expect her to either rule out a Senate race or announce formation of an exploratory committee.

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If Hillary Clinton decides to run for the Senate, she faces big pluses, but also big risks.

HEL TALKING POINTS

Hillary Clinton's ears must have been burning.

The First Lady was the hot talk Monday as plenty of A-listers weighed in on her impending move to New York and her highly anticipated campaign for the U.S. Senate.

Listen to what historian **Doris Kearns Goodwin** has to say about Hillary's political future.

"The big risk for her is that she runs and loses," Goodwin told me at the Le Cirque 2000 party for **Matilda Cuomo's** new book of essays, "The Person Who Changed My Life."

"On the downside, there's the carpetbagger issue," she said. "It's not like she'd be running from Illinois, where she's from, or Arkansas, where she has lived. When **Bobby Kennedy** came to New York and ran for the Senate in 1966, at least he could point to the fact that he spent part of his childhood in Riverdale and Bronxville. And still he was stung by the carpetbagger issue."

Then there's the Clinton marriage. "He will not have her as a companion if she's a senator," said Goodwin. "She wouldn't be around to help him with his legacy, or his library."

But there is significant upside to her running. "If she wants to be President, she has to do it," the historian said. "If you want to be in political elective life, you don't give up a chance like this. She would have other shots down the road, but not like this one. This is the Big Apple."

But "if Hillary loses, she will carry the loss in her emotional psyche forever."

Goodwin isn't the only one thinking about our First Lady. **George Plimpton** loves the idea that she may move to New York.

"It'd be great for New York," he said at Monday's Americans for the Arts National Arts Award Gala at Lincoln Center. "She'd probably teach at Columbia or the

New School. The Clintons could go to Elaine's and get a regular table with **Woody Allen**. Of course, if she's in the Senate, she'd spend most of her time in D.C. Then it would be interesting to see where he'd go."

Alec Baldwin is looking forward to the prospect of a Hillary Clinton campaign, especially one that would pit her against **Mayor Giuliani**.

"I think Hillary would kick Giuliani's a-- up and down the Hudson," Baldwin stated at the Rainforest Alliance event that honored him Monday at the Chelsea Piers.

But the actor also confessed to being fed up with the current political climate in both parties. "If the Democratic and Republican parties are still going to go after each other in an ugly, vitriolic personality-driven way," he said, "then the country is headed for some watershed disaster."

But no matter what happens in the Senate race, Baldwin said, "I think Rudy is finished."

(UPI Spotlight)

Report: Clintons eye move to Westchester

NEW YORK, May 26 (UPI) President Bill Clinton and his potential U. S. Senate candidate wife Hillary Rodham Clinton are reportedly looking for a home in Westchester County. A source tells (Wednesday's) Daily News the couple have more-or-less ruling out living in Manhattan, and say their ``suburb of choice'' is the moneyed county just north of New York City.

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Repeat for all

Wellesley class of '69 takes off gloves, conquers world

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Review

By ANN PRICHARD

USA TODAY

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``Rebels in White gloves: Coming of Age With Hillary's class - Wellesley '69'' by Miriam Horn. (Times Books, 352 pp., \$24)

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I came within a madras headband's width of judging this book by its cover. The title? Ludicrous!

The subtitle? Pure opportunism! Hillary Clinton's photo on the front? Too predictable! The book itself? Loved it; couldn't put it down.

Such are the pleasant surprises in a reader's life. Low expectations from the way a story is packaged often give way to a truly good read. ``Rebels in White Gloves'' is a social history, profiling dozens of women who graduated in 1969 from Wellesley, one of the elite ``Seven Sisters'' colleges.

Hillary Rodham Clinton is the most famous class member. She is not, however, the star of the book.

``Rebels'' offers great personal tales - inspiring, bizarre, riotous, moving and sad. Hillary, in fact, makes but brief appearances in the book, as if Wellesley women at age 51 had closed ranks around their famous but troubled sister.

Even without the first lady there is some great material. Coming of age in the 1960s, whether in Wellesley or Wichita, was a wild time of cultural change and counterculture movements. This was the schizoid age when some college girls couldn't chew gum and some dropped acid with Baba Ram Dass. Such a time was bound to produce some ingenious women.

Here are looks at two:

-- Martha McClintock, a fourth-generation Wellesleyan, enrolled at her mother's urging so she would have ``something interesting to think about while folding diapers.''

A science whiz at 20, Martha attended a meeting of top male biologists who were discussing how mice in groups ovulate at the same time.

When McClintock suggested, ``self-consciously,' ' that the same thing happened among dorm women, she was met with skepticism. A Wellesley professor urged her to make the study that led to the first scientific evidence of pheromones and human menstrual synchrony. She now heads a \$12 million lab at the University of Chicago.

Flexible thinking seems to be her trademark.

On one major experiment, she wanted to use black wild rats instead of albino lab rats. She paid a rat catcher for some, only to discover that she could not mark them. McClintock tried bleaching their fur with Clairol Nice 'n Easy, but nothing happened. ``In such a case, scientists consult an expert. So I called Bonwit Teller's hair salon.

I said, 'I'm working with animals, how do you bleach their' - I didn't want to say it was rats, so I used the word ``pelts''. The colorist, Mr. Andre, advised shampoo, followed by peroxide and then dye.

- Classmate Janet McDonald Hill, who is black, grew up in segregated New Orleans, where her parents worked 18 hours a day making crowns and dentures.

Hill now heads a successful consulting firm and sits on numerous corporate boards. She married football player Calvin Hill. Their son, Grant, is considered one of pro basketball's finest players, on and off the court. Janet was strict and did much of the child rearing but received little credit.

At a sports banquet, Grant sang her praises: ``It's about time, Mom, you get the credit you deserve. No more `wife of,' no more `mother of,' and especially no more `classmate of.' Tonight, I am the son of Janet and Calvin

Hill. . . . Mom taught me to respect women because she commands so much respect. I believe the people who really change the world are people like Janet Hill who work at it every day. She's got it goin' on. If you're gonna step to her, you better be right; don't be half-stepping. We can call her Janet X.''

``Rebels'' is filled with anecdotal material culled from interviews and an extensive survey of the class of 1969 by Wellesley's class of 1959.

Horn, a writer at U.S. News and World Report, weaves these remarkably candid stories in the context of feminism and other movements. Her commentary is sometimes dry and ponderous, and thus ``Rebels'' is best enjoyed by dipping rather than reading straight through. Each story builds on the next, creating an appealing class portrait of complex and terrifically bright Everywomen.

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First lady 'still thinking' about Senate seat

BY JANE FULLERTON
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WASHINGTON — After six years as a sometimes reticent player in the center ring of presidential politics and political controversy, Hillary Rodham Clinton appears poised to go another round.

After nine trips to New York this year — including a one-day swing last week packed with political appearances — the first lady is by all accounts on the brink of beginning a campaign for the U.S. Senate that would perpetuate the groundbreaking nature of her

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CLINTONS WILL always call Arkansas home, friends say. Page 11A.

White House tenure.

As she vacations with President Clinton this holiday weekend in Florida, the topic of the first lady's future career tops the first family's



agenda. The irony is that just as she could be reclaiming a measure of the normalcy and privacy she has publicly yearned for, she seems ready to strike out on a political career of her own.

"I'm still thinking about it," she said last week in an interview with CBS' Dan Rather. "People are still talking to me about it. I've been very flattered by the people who've come to me and asked me to consider it. And I'm obviously very interested."

Only a few months ago, friends and advisers were skeptical that

the first lady would subject herself to what would undoubtedly be a bruising political bout in a state known for its bare-knuckle politics. And she would be seeking to join the very institution that convened an impeachment trial against her husband, where she would have to work with colleagues who voted to kick him out of office.

But now those same observers say they'll be surprised if she doesn't run.

"She is clearly still in a forward
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Hillary shows a Faubus-like skill

On the day after Wednesday night's meeting of the Dan Rather-Hillary Clinton Mutual Admiration Society, I spent a couple of hours checking the Internet for a news story about the interview that CBS had been ballyhooing for three days.

I didn't find such a story. Maybe it was because I have a new Internet browser and don't know how to look. More likely, it was because 25 minutes of chitchat between CBS' aging anchor and a first lady who wants to be a senator generated not a shred of news.

Everything we heard, we had heard before. Hillary's explanation that she was staying with her husband, the president, because the two had formed a deep, personal attachment during 24 years of marriage had leaked out of the Rather interview a couple of days earlier.

Although I didn't learn anything, the interview was worth watching. It was the first time Hillary has been so extensively interviewed this year. We got our first lengthy look at her at the end of her metamorphosis from good old Arkansas girl who both talked and shot straight to svelte urbanite who plans to spend her post-White House years in Gotham City, regardless of whether she wins the Senate race.

It was not a pretty sight. Elegantly coifed, meticulously made up, looking down her nose at a fellow who once was one of this country's great reporters, she demonstrated that there is more of New York in her than there is of Illinois, where she grew up, or of Arkansas, where she lived most of her adult life. She'll fit the Big Apple a lot better than the glove fit O.J. Simpson.

It was also evident to veteran observers of the Arkansas political scene that she left

John R. Starr



the Natural State with a skill learned from one of Bill Clinton's predecessors that will stand her in good stead when she tries to deal with New York's disrespectful, contentious and usually biased new media.

Not since reporters were asking Orval E. Faubus why he ignited the Little Rock integration crisis has one politician talked so much without saying anything while trying to answer a potentially embarrassing question.

Rather's obsequiousness put to shame Larry King, the long-time specialist in puff-ball questions. In fact, Rather seemed awed by Hillary in a way that Arkansans never were. The silly little smirk that he wore throughout the interview warned that there was going to be no meat on this turkey.

To his credit, Rather did ask Hillary why she stays with her lying, philandering husband, but he asked it the way a society writer, not a real reporter, would ask it.

First, he made an inane little speech about how much he respected Hillary's privacy. Then he apologized for asking a question he had to ask. Finally, instead of asking for himself, he slid backwards into the question by saying it was one sure to be asked by the New York media.

I do not intend to indicate that there is any way Rather could have conducted a real interview with this woman who now seems as hollow as her husband.

If I had not already used the analogy, I

would say that she is a Stepford wife, replaced by a robot, who always says and does the right thing. Her smile was as phony as any that ever graced a face. Her laugh was as shallow and empty of emotion as an evening breeze in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

In the Faubus mode, Hillary talked around some questions without attempting to answer them. After other questions, she filibustered so long that when she finally shut up, both Rather and viewers had forgotten the question.

Not once did Rather, who once argued with presidents at news conferences, respond to one of her obfuscating answers by reminding her that she had not answered the question. Folks who do boorish things like that don't get exclusive interviews.

When she talked about the need to turn this violent country around, I would have asked what kind of signal is sent about violence when the president abandons diplomacy and send hundreds of warplanes to pulverize a tiny, poor country because of something its leaders did.

And when she answered that we had to do something about suffering in Kosovo, I would have pointed out that suffering in Kosovo has increased a thousand-fold in the two months since the bombing started. In addition, innocent citizens of Yugoslavia are suffering a hundred times as much because of the bombing as Kosovars were suffering from ethnic cleansing before the bombing started.

It doesn't matter to a dead man whether a Serb bullet or a NATO bomb kills him.



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Clintons plan to live in NY, first lady says

BY JANE FULLERTON
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WASHINGTON — Regardless of whether she runs for the U.S. Senate, Hillary Rodham Clinton made one thing clear last week — she and her husband will live in New York once they leave the White House.

But friends of the first lady were quick to say that doesn't mean the Clintons won't be spending time in the president's home state. After all, they point out, his presidential library will be in Little Rock.

"It's fair to say Arkansas will always be home to the Clintons," said Lisa Caputo, the first lady's former communications director.

Hillary Clinton told CBS' Dan Rather in an interview that aired Wednesday, "I do plan to live in New York no matter what I end up doing."

The first lady returned to the topic again when asked why she was considering a Senate race in New York rather than in Illinois where she grew up or in Arkansas where she spent most of her adult years.

"I never could have predicted something like this could have occurred, but people came to me and asked me to consider it," she said.

"Of course, I've been thinking about and talking to Bill about ... living there after we finish in the White House. I think that both of us would really enjoy that."

Friends expect the Clintons to have some kind of permanent residence in Arkansas and to use the presidential library as a base of operations.

In addition, the Clintons have friends and family in Arkansas, including the president's stepfather in Hot Springs and the first lady's mother in Little Rock.

"It has always been my feeling that the president would have a permanent and much-used residence here," said Diane Blair, a former University of Arkansas political science professor who is close to the Clintons. "But it also has always been my assumption that they would spend a lot of time elsewhere."

Neel Lattimore, the first lady's former press secretary, doesn't think anyone should take offense if the Clintons settle in New York. "What happens is that when they became president and first lady, they became president and first lady for every state."

on the same night Little Rock voters defeated its sales tax issue, Hot Springs voters approved a bond issue to help reopen Magic Springs amusement park.

The Hot Springs bond issue, Huckabee said, "is much more similar to this than anything like the Little Rock package, so I would say I was more comforted by what Hot Springs did than I was troubled by what Little Rock did."

tax increase in the history of Arkansas and to pay for a bond issue that would outlive the roads. We're asking people for a short-term bond issue and no tax increases on their ballot."

Huckabee brushed aside the idea that the resounding defeat of a sales tax proposal in Little Rock, the state's most populous city, last week might bode ill for his highway bond measure. He noted that

thought this election might be seen by some as a referendum on Mike Huckabee, the governor said. "Let me answer that on election night."

Huckabee said the issues before voters in this election and Tucker's proposal bear little resemblance.

"What we're looking at is, we're not raising any taxes, and that's the key," he said. "Tucker's proposal called people to vote on the largest

whatever decision the first lady makes. Even Rep. Nita Lowey, the Democratic representative from New York who would like to run for the Senate, is deferring to Hillary Clinton, putting her own potential campaign plans on hold. But there also are those, including former New York Gov. Mario Cuomo, who are urging the first lady not to run.

The electorate, meanwhile, appears to be divided.

Nationally, Hillary Clinton is enjoying some of her highest poll ratings, with a 71 percent approval rating in a CNN/USA Today/Gallup survey taken last week.

Notably, those poll numbers have moved up as she took on a

more traditional role as first lady and as she gained public support during the Monica Lewinsky investigation and the subsequent impeachment proceedings. During the early part of her husband's first term, when she took on the kind of policy role that would be required of a Senate candidate, her popularity was decidedly lower.

When it comes to whether she should run for the Senate, 44 percent are in favor, 47 percent opposed. Various polls in New York state matching her against Giuliani have produced differing results. Sometimes she's ahead; sometimes he's ahead.

But voters don't seem too wor-

ried about how such a campaign might interfere with Hillary Clinton's duties as first lady. Only 35 percent said that was a concern; 64 percent said it wasn't an issue.

Those who know the first lady are glad to see that she's emerging from the low-profile role she played over the past year as the Lewinsky controversy swirled around her husband.

"One of the things I'm most heartened by is the fact that she's considering it," said Lattimore. "She could be discouraged from public service after all she's been through. But this is a chance for her to put a little shine on an institution that's fairly tarnished."

First lady

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mode, moving ahead with the exploration. But I don't think it's 100 percent yet," said former University of Arkansas political science Professor Diane Blair, a close friend of the first lady.

In her discussions with Hillary Clinton, Blair said the prospective Senate campaign has moved from "the impossible to the possible to the not-quite-probable."

But it will likely be several more weeks before the first lady makes a public pronouncement.

Advisers do not expect her to announce formation of an exploratory committee before July. Such a move would allow her to begin fund raising — and to pay for her political trips with campaign funds. Her frequent visits to the Empire State — generally underwritten with taxpayer funds in her role as first lady — have already begun to draw criticism from New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, the likely Republican candidate.

For most, forming an exploratory committee is a perfunctory step before officially beginning a campaign. But Hillary Clinton's advisers caution that even if she does take that step, it doesn't guarantee she'll actually run.

"She can't do what most candidates can do because she's a sitting first lady," said her former press secretary, Neel Lattimore. "So for her, an exploratory committee means just that — an avenue to explore."

In talking to those familiar with the first lady's thinking, the word "methodical" repeatedly crops up to describe the process she is going through in weighing whether to seek the seat being vacated next year by longtime Democratic Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

"It's the \$64,000 question," said Lisa Caputo, the first lady's former communications director. "She is clearly taking her time with this, being methodical and analytical, which is wise, because ultimately this is a life decision — whether the Senate is the right venue for her."

There are those — including another former first lady, Rosalynn Carter — who have maintained that Hillary Clinton would be diminishing the platform she will have as a former first lady by seeking a Senate seat.

Lattimore doesn't think so. "I don't know if it's a step down. It's a different step, a different avenue.

It's something she hasn't tried before."

But running for office is something Hillary Clinton has considered before.

In 1990, when her husband was up for re-election to a fifth term as Arkansas governor but admitted he had no "fire in the belly," Hillary Clinton privately contemplated seeking the office herself.

Her musings about running for governor were detailed in Webb Hubbell's 1997 book, *Friends in High Places: Our Journey from Little Rock to Washington, D.C.* Hubbell — the former associate attorney general who served time on charges stemming from the Whitewater investigation and is currently awaiting trial on two other indictments — worked with Hillary Clinton at Little Rock's Rose Law Firm.

In discussing the 1990 race, Hubbell wrote that Stephens Inc. titans Jack and Witt Stephens had suggested that Hillary Clinton

might make a better candidate than her husband.

Hubbell wrote that "what I never told anyone was that Hillary had actually floated her candidacy" past him and other friends.

Hubbell's view on whether Hillary Clinton could withstand a challenge from a firebrand of an opponent: "Frankly, knowing Hillary, I wasn't worried about that. I knew she could dish it out with the best of them."

Once again, Hillary Clinton is contemplating her potential candidacy largely in private. Among those she has turned to for advice are key members of the president's political teams from both 1992 and 1996. They include former White House deputy chief of staff and New York lawyer Harold Ickes, political consultant Mandy Grunwald and New York lawyer Susan Thomases.

Democrats are generally presenting a unified face in support o

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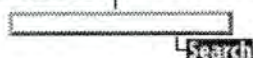


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The dispute over last year's U.S. cruise missile attack on a Sudanese pharmaceutical plant may soon be headed for a U.S. court.

NEWSWEEK has learned that Saleh Idris, the Saudi owner of the plant, will soon file a lawsuit demanding \$30 million in compensation for the destruction of his property. Idris will claim the Clinton administration is engaged in a "cover-up" to conceal the fact that U.S. planes bombed the wrong target. Last August, Clinton called the factory a "terrorist-related" facility with ties to Osama bin Laden, the Saudi exile allegedly responsible for the attacks on two U.S. embassies in East Africa. U.S. officials later said they'd found traces of chemical agents in a soil sample from the plant. Idris denies ties to bin Laden. "I want to clear my name," he told NEWSWEEK. The Feds last month released \$24 million of Idris's frozen bank accounts. But a White House official said, "We stand by our findings that led to the strike in the first place."



At the bombed-out plant (Enric Marti-AP)

HILLARY**Listen for the Sound of Silence**

Fresh from a Florida vacation, Hillary Clinton heads for New York City this week. She'll give a commencement address at City College and attend a fund-raiser for Rep. Carolyn Maloney. But friends say the First Lady won't announce that she's running for the Senate. What they're listening for is the sound of silence. "If she doesn't say an absolute 'no', then it's an implicit 'yes'," says an adviser. Mrs. Clinton is keenly aware that she can't stall much longer without dashing Democratic hopes of keeping the seat. She's just soul-searching now, friends say. Bill's been in favor of the race from the start and Chelsea gave her all-important thumbs up over spring break.

Barring a firm no, Mrs. Clinton is likely to wait until at least late June to announce the formation of an exploratory committee. The reason? She'll be out of the country most of the month, traveling to the Mideast and accompanying the president to the G-8 summit in Europe. Meanwhile, she's been phoning Democrats all over the state, boning up on New York issues and trying to ensure that local pols say nice things about her if she runs. Her advisers are also talking to retiring Sen. Pat Moynihan's staffers, in search of a New York pro to join her campaign. Reports suggest the Clintons are scouting property in Westchester County. But during a campaign, friends say, she would use the White House as home base and could commute to a rented or borrowed pad in New York state.



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Six more years?



HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON'S

drift toward a race for United States senator from New York in the year 2000 is at once astonishing, exhilarating, and deeply weird. Her prospective candidacy—the *Washington Post* said last week that she is all but certain to run—invites an impish, not quite sober response. It raises all sorts of naughty, nihilistic questions: Why on earth is she doing this? Why is she doing this to *us*? Is she doing it as the obvious next step in a lifetime of devoted public service or are we witnessing a particularly grisly episode in the world's most over-analyzed marital melodrama? Does it mean that *he'll* be spending a lot of time around here, too?

One can see Mrs. Clinton as a senator. She knows the issues. She speaks well. She has a senatorial sense of personal inevitability. She is probably more qualified for high office than many of the professional wrestlers and radio talk-show hosts entering the lists across America these days. (It is, by the way, far more difficult to see the operatic and preemptory Rudolph Giuliani spending six years as one tiny vote among a hundred.) But one can also wonder whether the First Lady came to this career move rationally or in a moment of ire, announcing to her husband, "Listen, Bub, I've spent the last twenty-five years going to watermelon festivals, smiling like a mummy, and making a fool of myself over you. From now on, I set the agenda. Even if I decide to do something as preposterous as—as run for the Senate from New York!"

A Clinton-Giuliani race would be delightfully gaudy and excessive, of course. Imagine the debates. Imagine the negative advertising, on both sides. Imagine

the First Lady visiting the *New York Post* editorial board, or sharing a podium with Al Sharpton. The more we fantasize about this race, the more it feels like a government subsidy for wayward journalists. Consider the alternative: meandering through Iowa with Al Gore, stumping with Steve Forbes in New Hampshire? No contest.

There is also the thematically voluptuous prospect of watching Bill Clinton join Bob Dole in the humble ranks of political spouses—or perhaps not so humble. The President's back-seat-driving tendencies have already been demonstrated by his public kibbitzing, via the *Times*, in the campaign of his other life partner, the Vice-President. (He admitted to being worried that Gore had been stumbling a bit.) Dole, meanwhile, has announced, also via the *Times*, that he is

paign, on the ground of gender solidarity.

On the other hand, a Clinton-Giuliani Senate race might prove tiresome. The Mayor can be tiresome all by himself. The First Lady is not noted for her easy-going bonhomie. This would not be a charm-off. There is also a fair amount of Clinton Fatigue abroad in the land. In a poll last month, seventy-four per cent of the respondents said they were fed up with all the problems associated with the Clinton White House. At this point, the self-involved Clintons seem like teenagers finally going off to college. Do we really want them to stay around for six more years?

A Hillary Clinton candidacy would mean that we'd be forced to relive all the tribulations of the recent past, this time from the First Lady's point of view—and not just the requisite revisitation of her

commodities-trading and billing records but also a never-ending string of embarrassing questions: Would you have keelhailed Lani Guinier? How would you have voted on welfare reform? A thirteen-hundred-page health-insurance-reform bill—what were you thinking? And the horrible, inevitable "How did you feel" questions. (Poor Al Gore. He could find himself running for President and competing



Hillary Rodham Clinton and Rudolph Giuliani

tempted to contribute to one of Elizabeth Dole's opponents in the Republican Presidential campaign. Indeed, the recent interventions of Messrs. Clinton and Dole may represent a real breakthrough in public life—the liberation of the long-suffering political spouse. Donna Hanover, the semi-estranged wife of the Mayor, can now plausibly announce her intention to contribute to Mrs. Clinton's cam-

with a Senate campaign that would constantly remind the public of all the things that were loathsome about the Administration in which he served.)

Perhaps the greatest challenge Mrs. Clinton will face, should she decide to run, is the fact that she seems, in the end, a pretty normal person, and New Yorkers are not overimpressed by normality. During the past decade, there has been a de-

lightful run of elected eccentrics—Cuomos and Koches, D'Amatos and Moynihans. These are people who tend to yell back when they're yelled at; sometimes they even yell first. They are fast and funny and neurotic and contentious and—openly, publicly—vulnerable. Which is to say that they represent New York as it imagines itself to be. It will be interesting to see if Hillary Rodham Clinton can meet this perverse and endearing standard. —JOE KLEIN

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The most influential book never read.



SOME ninety years ago, two bright sparks from Cambridge University, Alfred North Whitehead and Bertrand Russell, delivered a two-thousand-five-hundred-page manuscript to their editors at Cambridge University Press. The monstrous tome, too heavy to be carried comfortably by one man, was entitled "Principia Mathematica," and much of it was taken up by strange

squiggles, the meaning of which was known only to Whitehead and Russell. In order to carry out their chosen task—the derivation of the entire corpus of mathematics from a single set of axioms, using formal logic—the two philosophers had been forced to invent an entirely new language. "I imagine no human being will ever read it through," Russell confided to a friend. C.U.P. was equally unenthusiastic. It refused to print the book unless Russell and Whitehead paid part of the cost of publication, which prompted Russell to remark, "We thus earned minus fifty pounds each for ten years' work."

Russell's estimate of the size of his and Whitehead's potential audience proved unduly pessimistic, but just slightly. "I used to know of only six people who had read the later parts of the book," he wrote in the nineteen-fifties. "Three of them were Poles, subsequently (I believe) liquidated by Hitler. The other three were Texans." It came as something of a surprise, then, when, earlier this month, "Principia Mathematica" surfaced at No. 23 on a list of the century's hundred greatest nonfiction books, which was compiled by Modern Library, a divi-

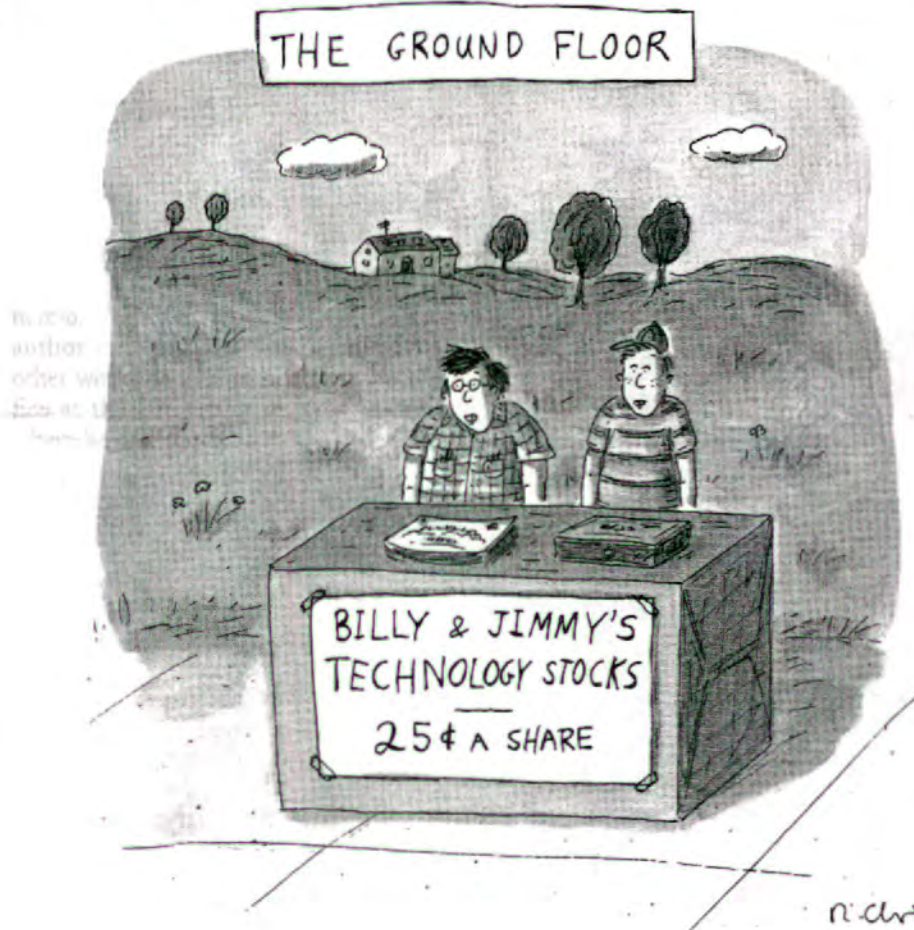
sion of Random House. Sandwiched between "An American Dilemma," by Gunnar Myrdal, and "The Mismeasure of Man," by Stephen Jay Gould, Whitehead and Russell's gargantuan work had finally achieved a status whose paradox would surely have appealed to them: a must-read book that is, for all intents and purposes, unreadable.

The last complete edition of "Principia Mathematica" was published, by C.U.P., in the early sixties, and it is hard to find. (Amazon.com offers it at five hundred and sixty-five dollars, but warns that delivery may take four to six weeks.) An abridged edition, covering Volume I of the original, is still in print, but it reaches only as far as Theorem 56; Whitehead and Russell didn't stop until they reached Theorem 375. Even professional logicians rarely work their way through the whole thing. "People don't need to read it because the important things in it have been done more clearly elsewhere," Hartry Field, a mathematical philosopher at New York University, said last week.

Some people involved with the Modern Library list were mystified by the inclusion of Russell and Whitehead. "I have no idea how 'Principia Mathematica' got on the list," Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., one of a thirteen-member panel that chose the books, said last week. "I doubt whether very many of the judges have read the three volumes." Even Stephen Jay Gould, the sole scientist on the panel, said that he had little to do with "Principia's" selection. "I've read large parts of it, but I haven't read it all. Does anyone read it in its entirety?"

Apparently, they do. "I have the works here on my shelf," Charles Johnson, the author of "Middle Passage" and four other works of fiction, said from his office at the University of Washington, where he teaches creative writing. Johnson, who has a master's degree in philosophy, was one of the judges who championed "Principia." "It is important for the same reason that all great philosophy books are great," he added. "It is reasoning at its finest."

Not at its most durable, though. In 1931, Kurt Gödel, an Austrian mathematical genius, proved that what Russell and Whitehead had set out to do couldn't be done. Gödel's famous "incompleteness theorems," which have withstood nearly seventy years of inspection, say that within any logical system there are true statements that cannot be proved. Logic, even



international force going into Kosovo to maintain the peace must be dedicated also to protecting the Serbian minority from those who may seek their vengeance. ''

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First lady prepares for New York swing

By MARC HUMBERT= Associated Press Writer=

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) Hillary Rodham Clinton is planning stops across New York to gauge what a Senate campaign in the state might be like, an adviser said.

Mrs. Clinton is considering running for the seat being vacated next year by Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan. The race could pit her against New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who is also thinking of running.

On Monday, the Republican announced the formation of an exploratory committee that will allow him more freedom in raising and spending money in anticipation of a possible Senate run.

The first lady's New York trip begins next Monday with a speech at Columbia University in New York City followed by a fund-raising event to benefit Rep. Jerrold Nadler. The Manhattan Democrat was one of President Clinton's biggest supporters during his impeachment.

On Tuesday, Mrs. Clinton heads to Long Island for a visit to Hofstra University. That night, she is back in New York City for a speech at a \$250-a-person fund-raising dinner for the United Jewish Appeal.

Also on the schedule is a speech Thursday to the annual convention of the politically powerful New York State United Teachers Union in Niagara Falls.

Harold Ickes, a top adviser to Mrs. Clinton and a veteran of the New York political scene, said the trip should help give the first lady a sense of what a New York campaign would be like.

``They'll be more press, more people taking to her and so I think she'll come away with a much better feel about the intensity of the situation,''
Ickes said.

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(UPI Focus)

Hillary meets Kosovo refugees

WASHINGTON, April 13 (UPI) First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton hosted two Kosovar activists who have become refugees since the start of the NATO bombing campaign nearly three weeks ago, hearing their tales of an ongoing genocide but offering no new proposals for immediately helping the victims.

The activists, pediatrician Vjosa Dobruna and broadcast journalist Aferdita Kelmendi, met with the first lady today for the third time since last June, but for the first time since they fled the fighting in Kosovo.

Dobruna estimates some 500,000 to 800,000 refugees remain behind in Kosovo, "living under constant threat of being liquidated."

"They are being shelled constantly, day and night," Dobruna said. "This is a genocide that is being done in Kosovo, not only to our people, but to every cultural monument and every trace of Kosovo culture."

The two women met the first lady shortly after President Clinton acknowledged he was struggling with the question of how to provide food, housing and medical care to the "hundreds of thousands of refugees" still inside Kosovo.

Clinton said NATO has refrained from delivering food and other supplies to the refugees by air out of a concern that Serbian forces will either shoot down the aircraft or collect the deliveries before the refugees get them.

"We appreciate U.S. efforts and help," Dobruna said, "but we think something more can be done in order to save the lives of people who are trapped in Kosovo."

But Dobruna and Kelmendi, who met the first lady last June in Washington and again in October in the Bulgarian capital, Sofia, said neither they nor the first lady could propose a specific solution.

They thanked Western countries for accepting Kosovo refugees but said most would not want to be resettled.

"People are very thankful because of the help of the international community in this direction," Kelmendi said, "but the desire of the people is to be as much possible near Kosovo, because they have a home."

She added: "Not many of them want to go far away, because they want to go home to Kosovo."

Dobruna, a pediatrician and trauma care specialist, founded the Center for the Protection of Women and Children, a community clinic in Kosovo's capital, Pristina. She said Serbian leaders fired all Albanian doctors at the clinic a year ago.

Kelmendi is the director of Radio-TV 21 in Pristina, one of three independent electronic media outlets in Kosovo, all of which have been shut down by Serbian authorities. She said the station's equipment was confiscated, and one of her correspondents, his father and his brother were executed.

Both Dobruna and Kelmendi said they hid for several days after the start of the NATO bombing campaign before escaping across the border into Macedonia.

They plan to travel the United States describing their experiences and will join other activists in testifying Wednesday before a Senate subcommittee.

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New clean air rules could put auto and oil industries at odds

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DETROIT (AP) Soon-to-be-released clean air rules may represent the biggest technological hurdles for the auto industry in decades and could mean consumers will see higher-priced cars and gasoline.

The clean air rules called Tier II regulations eventually will hold cars and trucks to the same federal pollution standard. But automakers and oil companies are at odds over how to reach that goal, with each putting the burden on the other.

Automakers likely will need to equip vehicles with more expensive emission control equipment, while oil refineries could seek to recoup the expense of producing cleaner gasoline.

Without cleaner fuels, automakers say they won't be able to meet the lower emission rules for light trucks, which produce up to three times as much pollution per mile driven as cars and operate under looser standards.

"We can't get there from here with the technology we have on the books," Josephine Cooper, president of the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers, told The Detroit News for a Wednesday story. "We need cleaner fuels to make this work."

Light vehicles are more than 90 percent cleaner than they were about three decades ago. Automakers agreed voluntarily to start selling cars this year that run 70-percent cleaner than most current models.

But the auto industry wants the oil industry to take responsibility for cleaner air.

If the oil industry reduced sulfur in gasoline to 30 parts per million from the 340 parts per million national average it would be akin to taking 54 million cars off the road, state regulators said.

But Marc Meteyer of the American Petroleum Institute says the oil industry does not want to go that far. The industry proposes regional reductions, meaning that currently less-polluted areas would make less dramatic cuts in sulfur content.

Adopting that plan would be the equivalent of removing 23 million cars from the road, Meteyer said.

"The automakers don't want to make changes. They want us to make all the changes," Meteyer told the News. "Policy makers have to strike a balance because they know that going to extremes in one direction or another can drive costs up significantly for the consumer."

Meteyer expects the cost of refining gasoline would rise by 6 cents a gallon if the Clinton administration accepts the low sulfur levels proposed by the automakers a cost they might pass on to consumers.

The number of vehicle miles traveled nationally continues to increase by about 2 percent annually. Since 1970, the rate has increased 127 percent to 2.4 trillion miles in 1997.

The number of cars in this country is expected to jump 40 percent by 2010 from 1993 levels.

"With that growth comes a massive increase in both pollution and our dependence on foreign oil," Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Carol Browner said.

While Ms. Browner and other federal regulators praise the technological advances showcased by automakers in recent years, including electric vehicles, hybrid power trains and clean-running fuel cells, the EPA still thinks the auto industry needs a regulatory push.

The nation's emissions standards were last updated by Congress in 1990. The EPA plans to reveal its proposal this month. Final standards could be set later this year.

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Press clips of Friday's PLOVS visit,
from the major Macedonian dailies.

"NGO Roundtable" transcript is almost
done; summary cable on press coverage
also on its way.

Pleasure working with you.

Regards, Philip R.

This message consists of cover sheet plus 8 page(s).

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Header: The First Lady of the United States visits Macedonia

Title: "Hillary brings a message of hope for the refugees and support for the Hosts"

Sub-titles: We won't let the crimes done by Milosevic to continue and everything we do is to make possible for these people to go back to their homes safely, said Hillary Clinton in Stenkovec camp

ПРВАТА ДАМА НА САД ВО ПОСЕТА НА МАКЕДОНИЈА

Хилари донесе порака на надеж до бегалците и поддршка за домаќините

► Нема да дозволиме злосторството што го спроведува Милошевиќ да продолжи и сè што правиме е со цел овие луѓе да можат безбедно да се вратат во своите домови, рече Хилари Клинтон во кампот Стенковец

Хилари Роџам Клинтон, сопруга на американскиот претседател Бил Клинтон, вчера во Скопје длабоко ѝ се заблагодари на Македонија за сè што сторила за бегалците од Косово, преземајќи го врз себе огромниот товар од косовската криза.

Дојдов во Република Македонија за да ги видам и бегалците и претставниците на хуманитарните организации и народот во Македонија, со цел да му ја искажам поддршката за сè што има сторено, изјави првата дама на САД откако го посети бегалскиот камп Стенковец.

Таа пристигна во еднодневна посета на Македонија вчера околу 10 часот, со специјален воен авион. На аеродромот во Петровец ја пречекаа Нада Глигорова, сопруга на претседателот Киро Глигоров, Борис Трајковски, заменик-министер за надворешни работи, и Кристофер Хил, американскиот амбасадор во Скопје.



Потресени од страдањата на косовските бегалци: Хилари Роџам Клинтон

Во кампот во Стенковец, придружувана од амбасадорот Хил, првата дама на САД се сретна со претставници на повеќе меѓународни невладини организа-

ции. Изразувајќи им благодарност за добро извршената работа, Хилари Клинтон им рече дека се надева оти ќе продолжат добро да функционираат. Таа особено се

интересираще за изградбата на училишни за децата на бегалците и за продолжување на нивното школување.

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(Продолжува од стр. 1)

Хилари Клинтон нагласи дека би сакала да биде запознаена со проблемите со кои се соочуваат тие организации, кои ќе му ги пренесе на претседателот Клинтон, за да можат да се најдат начини за нивно решавање. Таа рече дека од разговорите со бегалците што пристигнале во САД дознала оти поголем дел од нив сака да се врати дома.

- Дојдов за да донесам порака на надеж за бегалците и порака на поддршка за македонскиот народ и македонските власти. Од што правиме е со цел овие луѓе да можат безбедно да се вратат дома. Нема да дозволиме злосторството што го спроведува Милошевиќ да продолжи, рече првата дама на САД. Во кампот Стенковец таа имаше можност од прва рака да ги чуе потресните судбини на неколку раздвоени бегалски семејства. Трогната од овие стории, Клинтон рече дека овие себичања долго ќе ги носи со себе, и кога зад нас ќе го оставиме "крвавиот 20. век".

Сопругата на претседателот на САД го изрази и своето задоволство од прогресот што го има постигнати американскиот Конгрес во врска со барањето на претседателот Клинтон за одобрува-

ње финансиски средства за помош на бегалците. Хилари Клинтон им препорача на претставниците на меѓународните хуманитарни организации оти снабдувањето на бегалците со храна би требало да се врши од Македонија и со тоа да ѝ се даде максимална поддршка на економијата на земјата.

Попладнето во резиденцијата на САД на Водно, Хилари Клинтон се сретна со премиерот Љубчо Георгиевски и со неговата сопруга Снежана.

- Посетата на првата дама на САД е голема чест за Република Македонија, изјави премиерот Георгиевски по разговорите. "Особено ми е драго што посетата не се одложи, како што се случило со најавената посета на Албанија".

- Задоволни сме од поддршката од САД. Веруваме дека САД ќе ѝ помогнат и повеќе на Македонија и веруваме во искреноста на нивните зборови, но би сакале помошта побргу да се реализира, рече Георгиевски.

Посетата на сопругата на американскиот претседател заврши вчера попладнето со средба со претседателот Киро Глигоров и со неговата сопруга Нада Глигорова.

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ПРВАТА ДАМА НА САД ВО МАКЕДОНИЈА

Интерес за бегалците и за македонскиот народ

Првата дама на Соединетите Американски Држави, Хилари Клинтон, вчера, пристигна на скопскиот аеродром Петровец, со американскиот воен авион Хер-

кулес, во придружба на хеликоптерите Најт Хоук и силното обезбедување „Фоки“. Таа имаше интензивна работна посета, со цел да се запознае со актуелната состојба во Македонија и нејзиниот ангажман за зачувување на својата стабилност и со работата на хуманитарните организации.

„Дојдов во Македонија за директно да ја согледам состојбата со бегалците и македонскиот народ и соодветните активности на македонската Влада,“ изјави Хилари Клинтон. Таа соопшти дека преку акцијата за помош на американскиот Конгрес, спроведувана од претседателот Клинтон и неговата администрација, се одобрени 21 милион долари за економско-социјална поткрепа и развој на Македонија. Со тоа, Амбасадата на САД во Република Македонија ја доби авторизацијата за спроведување на првата трансша од 2 милиони американски долари, што ќе бидат фокусирани на цивилниот сектор и развојот на малите и средни претпријатија во државата. За нив, се предвидени и околу 800 кредити. Оваа програма ќе создаде простор и за 2 илјади нови вработувања.

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ПРВАТА ДАМА НА САД ВО МАКЕДОНИЈА

Интерес за бегалците и за македонскиот народ

(Продолжение од стр.1)

Покрај помошта што САД ја одвојува за санирање на тековните последици од косовската криза, најважно прашање е да се овозможи побрзо враќање на бегалците во Косово. При обиколката на бегалскиот камп Стенковец, Хилари Клинтон разговараше со дел од бегалците кои се надеваат дека наскоро ќе можат да ги пронајдат и останатите членови од своите семејства. Таа разговарала и со дел од бегалците кои беа транспортирани во Њу Џерси, и кои биле децидни во своите ставови дека сакаат да се вратат во своите домови. „НАТО и САД можат да гарантираат дека бегалците повторно ќе се вратат во Косово... изјави првата дама на Америка.

Госпоѓа Клинтон во бегалскиот камп Стенковец имаше средба со претставници на меѓународните хуманитарни организации кои ја презентираа својата активност. Во резиденцијата на американскиот амбасадор во Македонија, Кристофер Хил, Хилари Клинтон се сретна и со претставници на македонските невладини организации. Според Луција Поповска, претставник на Македонскиот центар за меѓународна соработка, неговата работа овде е посложена заради присуството на бегалците на кои мора да им се помогне, но и заради напорите, преку дејствувањето на организациите, да се задржат вредностите на мултиетничкото живеење и демократските процеси во државата. Хилари Клинтон истакна дека на Македонија, која опстојува на оваа линија, треба да се гледа како на позитивен пример и за регионот и за светот.

На крајот од својата посета на Македонија, Хилари Клинтон разговараше со македонскиот претседател, Киро Глигоров и оствари кратка средба со премиерот Љубчо Георгиевски. Таа, престојот во Скопје го искористи и за посета на црквата Свети Спас.

И. Серафимов

"NOVA MAKEDONIJA", right-of-center, pro-government

front page, Saturday, May 15, 1999

HEADER: Hillary Clinton in Skopje

TITLE: The United States will give Macedonia 21 million dollars

On page two, NOVA MAKEDONIJA also ran separate article on the Meetings of Mrs. Clinton with Prime Minister Georgievski, and President Gligorov Titled: "American Administration will assist Macedonia"

ИЛАРИ КЛИНТОН ВО СКОПЈЕ

САД ќе ѝ дадат 21 милион долари на Македонија



● Госпоѓа Клинтон соопшти дека од денес, американската амбасада во Скопје има зелено светло за реализирање на првите два милиона долари помош што ги предвидува овој економски пакет. — Првата дама на САД беше примена од претседателот Глигоров и од премиерот Георгиевски, а го посети и кампот Стенковец

Сопругата на претседателот на Соединетите Американски Држави, Хилари Клинтон, вчера со воен американски авион, пристигна на скопскиот аеродром во својата прва едновечна посета на Република Македонија. Неа ја пречекаа сопругата на претседателот на државата Нада Глигорова, заменик-министерот за надворешни работи Борис Трајковски и амбасадорите на Република Македонија и на САД во Вашингтон и во Скопје, Љубица Ачевска и Кристофер Хил со сопругата.

Во рамките на програмата Хилари Клинтон беше примена од претседателот на државата Киро Глигоров и од премиерот Љубчо Георгиевски, а потоа го посети бегалскиот камп Стенковец. Исто така, беа реализирани повеќе средби со претставници на меѓународни македонски невладини и хуманитарни организации, а ја посети и црквата Свети Спас во Скопје.

Госпоѓа Хилари Р. Клинтон вчера ја искажа голема благо-

дарност на Македонија за односот кој проблемите со Косово и бегалската криза. „Дојдов во Македонија за да ги посетам бегалците, но исто така и за да им искажам благодарност на македонскиот политички врв и на граѓаните на Македонија за сето она што го прават во справувањето со проблемите со бегалците. Јас сум многу задоволна што сум тука и би сакала да истакнам дека САД и натаму ја поддржуваат и ќе ја поддржуваат Македонија на која во моментот ѝ е потребна пред сè економска помош“, изјави Хилари Клинтон на првичниот брифинг што го имаше со претставници на повеќе меѓународни организации во бегалскиот камп Стенковец. Таа истовремено порача дека помошта наменета за Македонија и за бегалците треба и натаму да пристигнува затоа што тоа е еден процес што трае. Истовремено нагласи дека „бегалците сакаат да си одат дома,

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САД ќе и дадат 21 милион долари на Македонија

(Продолжение од 1-ва стр.)
дека тие сакаат самоуправување за Косово, тоа е тоа што и ние го сакаме", рече таа и додаде дека меѓународната заедница нема да дозволи „што што го прави претседателот Милошевиќ да ги остави луѓето надвор од нивните домови“. Хилари го реафирмираше најновиот став на американскиот претседател дека ќе биде предложен закон за помош на Македонија во американскиот Конгрес. Таа рече дека администрацијата подготвува програма која би ја упатила директна помош на Македонија од околу 21 милион долари наменети за поддршка на економијата и финансирање на воени и социјални институции. Таа исто така соопшти дека од денес американската амбасада во Скопје има зелено светло за реализирање на првите два ми-

лионни долари помош што ги предвидува овој економски пакет.

За време на речиси двочасовната посета на кампјот Стенковец, првата американска дама имаше повеќе средби и разговори со бегалците од Косово. Посети и неколку шатори каде што тие привремено се сместени, каде што беше следена со бурни поздравувања и аплаузи од децата. По средбите со бегалците таа изјави: „Сите сакаат да се вратат дома, да живеат во мир и во сигурност. Денес, барем за момент се ставив во нивната ситуација, во нивната приказна. Тешко е да се доживува сето она што го преживеале многумина од нив, како една стара жена, која не знае каде се наоѓаат нејзините деца, нејзините внуци, кога биле принудени со полициска присида да ги

напуштат своите домови“. Хилари Клинтон укажа на тоа дека не треба да се заборава сето ова што се случува долго време и дека зад нас мора да ја оставиме суровоста на 20-тиот век. Таа нагласи: „Дојдов да донесам надеж за бегалците и да ја искажам поддршката и благодарноста кон македонскиот народ за големите напори и товарот што тој го презема и она што тој го прави. Исто така да ја изразам и американската и меѓународната поддршка дека правиме сè што можеме овие луѓе што поскоро да се вратат дома“.

Во рамките на еднодневната посета Хилари Клинтон надвор од официјалниот дел на протоколот ја посети и црквата Свети Спас, а потоа во резиденцијата на американскиот амбасадор во Република Македонија Кристофер Хил.

J. Мировски

СРЕДБИ НА ХИЛАРИ КЛИНТОН СО КИРО ГЛИГОРОВ И СО ЉУТЧО ГЕОРГИЕВСКИ

Американската администрација ќе ја помогне Македонија

Првата дама на САД Хилари Клинтон, вчера во Скопје разговараше со претседателот на Република Македонија Киро Глигоров и со премиерот Љутчо Георгиевски. По средбата со премиерот Георгиевски, која се реализираше во резиденцијата на американскиот амбасадор во Скопје, премиерот изјави: Денешната посета на Хилари Клинтон е американска поддршка за Македонија и нам ни е особено задоволство што таа, сепак, дојде тука. Ја искористивме можноста за изворно информирање со проблемите на нашата држава, особено со кризата со бегалците и финансиската помош што ја е потребна на Република Македонија“.

На прашањето дали е уверен во поддршката на САД кон Македонија, Георгиевски рече: „Задоволни сме од поддршката, веруваме во искреноста на истата, тоа што ние сега го бараме е таа поддршка да дојде што побрзо“. Тој изрази уверување дека наскоро ќе се зголеми и финансиската помош за нашата земја.

По средбата со премиерот, Хилари Клинтон беше приемена од претседателот Киро



Средна средба на Хилари Клинтон со премиерот Љутчо Георгиевски и со неговата сопруга

Фото: Г. Личовски

Глигоров и од неговата сопруга:

Во разговорот г-ѓа Клинтон ги изнесе впечатоците од нејзината посета на Република Македонија и разговорите што ги имала, како и сознанието за состојбата со бегалците од Косово, но и за економските импликации во земјата. Таа ја пренесе подготовеноста на американската администрација за помош на Република Македонија во стопанската и во соци-

јалната сфера, но и од страна на приватните инвеститори, нако истакна дека вистинскиот одговор би бил крај на конфликтот и враќање на бегалците на Косово.

Претседателот Глигоров ја поздравил сета солидарност и хуманитарна помош од меѓународната заедница, но потенцираше дека она што во овој момент е неопходно е продолжено и зголемено преземање бегалци во трети земји.

"VEČER" centrist, pro-government tabloid, high circulation

Header: Hillary Clinton in Skopje

TITLE: Hope for the Refugees, Gratitude for Macedonia



- Дојдов тука да им донесам надеж на бегалците, да ги видам нив, но и македонскиот народ и лично да и се заблагодарам на македонската Влада и на народот за големиот товар и напор што го направија за да ги прифатат бегалците.

Ова го изјави Хилар Клинтон, сопругата на американскиот претседател Бил Клинтон, која вчера престојуваше во Скопје во еднодневна хуманитарна мисија. Првата дама на САД вчераутро допатува на скопскиот аеродром со американски воен транспортен авион од типот "Херкулес" кој слета под силно обезбедување на воени хеликоптери. Од Петровец, во придружба на сопругата на македонскиот претседател Нада Глигорова, високата гостинка заминува директно во бегалскиот камп Стенковец, каде што помина околу два часа.

Првите импресии за состојбата со бегалците Хилари Клинтон ги доби од претставниците на меѓународните хуманитарни организации кои работат во Стенковец и кои и ги пренесоа условите за живот на бегалците во камповите и справувањето со нивните проблеми. Хилари рече дека основната цел на нејзиното доаѓање во Скопје е да ја повтори американската и меѓународната поддршка кон Македонија, како и

општите заложби за што поскорешно создавање услови бегалците да се вратат во своите домови. Таа посебно се интересираше за условите за снабдувањето со храна и други продукти, сугерирајќи им на хуманитарците основните набавки да ги вршат од македонските фирми. Се интересираше и за школувањето на бегалските деца.

По посетата на кампот, при што срдечно разговараше со

садор во Скопје се сретна и со претставници на македонските хуманитарни и организации за човекови права, при што ја повтори информацијата дека претседателот Бил Клинтон предложил великодушна помош за Македонија и за другите земји од југоисточна Европа за полесно да се справат со бегалската криза. Истакнато е дека американскиот Конгрес се согласил пакетот хумани-



многумина бегалци интересирајќи се за нивните проблеми, Хилари Клинтон изјави дека нејзиниот општ впечаток е оти бегалците најмногу сакаат да се вратат дома. Во попладневните часови Хилари Клинтон во резиденцијата на американскиот амба-

тарна и економска помош да изнесува близу една милијарда долари, а американската амбасада во Скопје ќе биде овластена да ги пренасочи правите 2 милиони од пакетот вреден 21 милион долари наменети за македонското стопанство. Таа, исто така, соопшти дека САД досега обезбедиле околу 184 милиони долари хуманитарна помош.

Хилари Клинтон, во резиденцијата на американскиот амбасадор, имаше средба и со премиерот Љубчо Георгиевски и неговата сопруга, по што македонскиот премиер изрази задоволство од самиот чин на посетата, а пред новинарите потврди дека САД ќе и помогнат на Македонија, нагласувајќи: "Верувам во искреноста на нивните зборови, и се надевам дека помошта ќе стигне што побрзо".

Гостинката од САД доцна попладнето беше примена од македонскиот претседател Киро Глигоров и неговата сопруга Нада Глигорова. Во текот на вчерашниот ден Хилари Клинтон ја посети и црквата "Свети Спас" во Скопје, каде што се запиша во книгата на посетителите, а доцна попладнето таа отпатува од скопскиот аеродром.

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Al Gore's only challenger scores points early--and forces the veep's team to write a new game plan

BODY:

Al Gore's aides had arranged a picture-perfect setting for his big Earth Day speech. He'd choppered up to the Blue Ridge Mountains' Skyline Drive. He looked fit in his jeans and polo shirt, and posed for the cameras on a hilltop in the sunshine overlooking the Shenandoah Valley. Gore was there to announce a new clean-air program, and the audience was filled with smiling schoolchildren and local electeds. There was only one problem: swarms of ravenous flying bugs. The vice president, like everyone else, swatted them furiously as he waited to speak. So let me turn to the subject at hand, he said, before these gnats eat me alive! And so it goes for the vice president: on top of the mountain, under siege.

The gnats weren't nearly as annoying as the swarm Gore left behind in Washington: the Bradley Buzz. The Gore camp is already burdened by Clinton-scandal fatigue and the war in Kosovo; their attitude hovers between oh please and let's panic in response to Bill Bradley, the veep's only challenger for the Democratic nomination. Gore is now facing a lengthy ground war with a shrewd Senate veteran who fled Washington two years ago to rejuvenate himself on the road--and to make Silicon Valley contacts he's now mining for cash.

Never one to underestimate his own destiny, Bradley last week chose New York's Cooper Union for his first major campaign speech, on the burdens of race in America. At the same school, 139 years ago, another towering fellow reared in the Midwest began his campaign with a speech on slavery: Abraham Lincoln. As a Princeton All-American, Rhodes scholar and NBA Hall of Famer, Bradley has reason to think he has a special destiny--and the new NEWSWEEK Poll gives him at least some cause for hope. Though Bradley trails Gore 47 percent to 23 percent in the Democratic race, the number is ominous for the vice president: he's below 50 percent.

How will Gore respond? Here, based on interviews with a score of FOAs (Friends of Al's) are some clues to the new game plan:

Emote: As improbable as it sounds, Gore's handlers think their man can take Bradley in a game of emotional one-on-one. Bradley behind a podium can make the

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veep seem like early James Brown. At Cooper Union, Bradley spoke in a mournful monotone. He hadn't written a single applause line--and so he didn't get any. Gore can be stone-cold stiff in public settings, too, but he can occasionally crank it up. He did so, advisers recall fondly, in a speech at the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta last year. He was scheduled to start last weekend: at a memorial service in Littleton, Colo., and at the NAACP's Detroit convention.

Family matters: The son of a senator, Gore was born on the political stage, and so were his four children. They expect to play prominent roles--and will--and the first grandchild is due in June. Bradley, a deeply private man when it comes to family life (the result of his years as a basketball star), is loath to parade his wife and daughter in the campaign.

Deploy left: Bradley is hardly a flaming liberal. He voted for the Reagan budget cuts in 1981. His 1986 reform plan trimmed income-tax rates for the wealthy. He shied away from supporting Hillary Rodham Clinton's health-care plan in 1994. Still, as the only challenger, Bradley stands to inherit any grass-roots disaffection with the administration. And in the Democratic Party, grass-roots activists are liberals. Last week Bradley was endorsed by Sen. Paul Wellstone, a progressive who managed Jesse Jackson's Iowa campaign in 1988.

Gore's big idea for 2000 will center on education, aides say. It's a way to compete for liberal votes (and win the crucial support of the teachers unions) without seeming to stray too far left. He has and will talk about those who are not participating in the Long Boom of the '90s. But much of the work of speaking to--and about--the left out will be done by allies such as Rep. John Lewis of Atlanta and HUD Secretary Andrew Cuomo. Married to a daughter of Robert Kennedy, Cuomo has been to rural poverty areas once visited by RFK. In a speech this week, NEWSWEEK has learned, he will talk about a new liberalism for a new Democratic Party--and tout Gore's ability to lead it.

Be patient: The media gnats are about to descend on Bradley, the Goreans know. He has yet to broach specific proposals in a campaign he says will be aimed at ending racism and poverty, and providing universal health care. It's all way too ethereal, says Gore ally David Axelrod. He has to get down to details, and when he does he starts losing votes. His crusade to clean up campaign finance can make Gore sweat, but Bradley will have to answer for his own avid fund-raising over the years. He hasn't released his 1998 tax return, which--given honoraria and Wall Street consulting fees--isn't likely to burnish his populist credentials. It's a long way from here to Iowa and New Hampshire. Bradley peaked too soon, one top Gore aide said laughingly. But he didn't sound like he was enjoying his own joke.

GRAPHIC: PHOTO: Going one-on-one: Gore faces a lengthy ground war with Bradley, a shrewd Senate veteran

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