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November 8, 2000, Wednesday, Metro Edition

SECTION: News; Pg. 9E

LENGTH: 638 words

HEADLINE: ROUNDUP: Democrats' Senate gains fall short of their hopes;
ELECTION 2000: U.S. SENATE

BYLINE: Bob Dart, Cox Washington Bureau

SOURCE: CONSTITUTION

BODY:

... winning in some hotly contested races. One of the most visible contests was in New York, where first lady **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton**, a Democrat, defeated Republican Rep. Rick Lazio for the seat held by retiring Democratic Sen. Daniel ...

GRAPHIC:

... B) Jon Corzine

NEW MEXICO.....Bill Redmond..... (B) Jeff Bingaman
NEW YORK..... Rick Lazio..... (B) **Hillary Clinton**
NORTH DAKOTA.....Duane Sand..... (B) Kent Conrad
OHIO.....(B) Mike DeWine.....Ted Celeste
PENNSYLVANIA....(B) ...

PERSON: GEORGE H ALLEN (90%); CHARLES S ROBB (73%); RICK LAZIO (55%); **HILLARY**
RODHAM CLINTON (55%); DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN (55%);

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LENGTH: 898 words

HEADLINE: NEW YORK: **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** makes history by winning Senate seat;
ELECTION 2000: U.S. SENATE

BYLINE: Jill Vejnaska, Staff

SOURCE: CONSTITUTION

BODY:

New York --- **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** made history Tuesday when she won a Senate seat from New York. She is the first first lady to seek --- and win --- elective ...

... victory shortly after the polls closed at 9 p.m.

A New Yorker for less than a year, **Mrs. Clinton** stepped into the booth at Chappaqua's Grafflin Elementary School a little before 8 a.m. Tuesday and, presumably, voted ...

... New York, a fact that usually bodes well for Democratic candidates. But there has been almost nothing usual about **Mrs. Clinton's** campaign, which began with the Secret Service and 300 journalists accompanying her on a ladylike "listening tour" of upstate hamlets 16 ...

... for me for the next 24 hours, I will go to the Senate and fight for you for the next six years," **Mrs. Clinton** promised, as the crowd roared its approval, and reporters from as far away as Sweden and Germany and as near as Yeshiva University strained to see Moynihan and **Chelsea Clinton** nodding vehemently.

Lazio broke with tradition, campaigning right through Election Day, up to and including a rush-hour ...

... said Martin, a research institute administrator who moved from Minnesota seven years ago and planned to vote for **Mrs. Clinton** because of her intelligence and toughness. "Everybody comes to New York. Because everybody watches New York."

Whether it was a matter of who was watching or ...

... campaigning on upstate and the suburbs (hence the Grand Central Station appearance, to catch all those commuters), where it was crucial he do well to offset **Mrs. Clinton's** advantage in New York City.

The relatively unknown fourth-term congressman from Long Island became a candidate ...

... Rudolph Giuliani dropped out due to prostate cancer and marital woes. No matter. Lazio immediately drew even with **Mrs. Clinton** in polls, and quickly raised nearly \$ 30 million from contributors around the country, many of them attracted by his simple direct-mail message: "I'm running against **Hillary Clinton**."

On Monday the New York Post reported that Lazio had received death threats, allegedly due to his criticism of the first lady ...

... trying to use the USS Cole tragedy to their advantage.

It all culminated in an extraordinary two-minute ad which **Mrs. Clinton** ran on three New York City TV stations Monday night, emphasizing her support for affordable health ...

GRAPHIC: Photo

President Clinton speaks with daughter Chelsea as candidate **Hillary Rodham Clinton** emerges from the voting booth in Chappaqua, N.Y. / JAMES ESTRIN / New York Times

PERSON: **HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON** (95%); **DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN** (55%); **TINA TURNER** (53%);

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SECTION: News; Pg. 20E

LENGTH: 813 words

HEADLINE: Campaign ad sales outstrip last election's;
ELECTION 2000: MEDIA

BYLINE: Staff reports and news services

SOURCE: CONSTITUTION

BODY:

... major network, said ad sales are exceeding or meeting expectations in all markets except New York, where Democrat **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** and Republican Rep. Rick Lazio are battling for a U.S. Senate seat.

'There's less money than we anticipated there,' said John ...

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SECTION: News; Pg. 1A

LENGTH: 1545 words

HEADLINE: Gore, Bush battle to wire; Miller is elected to Senate;
Electoral College vote in balance

BYLINE: Scott Shepard, Ken Herman, Cox Washington Bureau

SOURCE: CONSTITUTION

BODY:

... power in the Senate and House might not be known for days. But in the marquee contest, first lady **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** won the Senate seat of retiring Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York, defeating Republican Rep. Rick Lazio. She ...

PERSON: GEORGE W BUSH (96%); ALBERT GORE JR (94%); **HILLARY** RODHAM **CLINTON** (53%); DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN (53%); RICK LAZIO (53%); WILLIAM JEFFERSON 'BILL' CLINTON (52%);

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SECTION: News; Pg. 1A

LENGTH: 1773 words

HEADLINE: A photo finish;
4 states key to race for president

BYLINE: Scott Shepard, Ken Herman, Cox Washington Bureau

SOURCE: CONSTITUTION

BODY:

... retain its majority in the House, while the Senate remained too close to call.

Democrats won their marquee contest as first lady **Hillary** Rodham Clinton won the U.S. Senate seat of retiring Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York, defeating Republican Rep. Rick ...

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SECTION: News; Pg. 1A

LENGTH: 1751 words

HEADLINE: Bush edges Gore in a photo finish

BYLINE: Scott Shepard, Ken Herman, Cox Washington Bureau

SOURCE: CONSTITUTION

BODY:

... retain its majority in the House, while the Senate remained too close to call.

Democrats won their marquee contest as first lady **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** won the U.S. Senate seat of retiring Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York, defeating Republican Rep. Rick ...

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SECTION: News; Pg. 1A

LENGTH: 387 words

HEADLINE: Now, it's up to you;
National race close; Georgia has own tough fights

BYLINE: Kathey Pruitt, Staff

SOURCE: CONSTITUTION

BODY:

... many as 15 states still seen as tossups.

And in a unique, nationally watched race in New York, **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** could become the first wife of a president to be elected to the U.S. Senate while serving as first lady.

Closer to home, Georgia ...

PERSON: ALBERT GORE JR (57%); GEORGE W BUSH (56%); **HILLARY** RODHAM **CLINTON** (52%);

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SECTION: News; Pg. 7A

LENGTH: 707 words

HEADLINE: The Ticker: QUICK HITS FROM THE TRAIL;
CAMPAIGN 2000

BYLINE: Staff reports and news services

SOURCE: CONSTITUTION

BODY:

... for turnout in N.Y.

The most-watched Senate race in the country roared through its final hours Monday, with **Hillary Clinton** planning rallies in cities from one end of New York to the other, and Rick Lazio campaigning for votes in the ...

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November 7, 2000 Tuesday FINAL EDITION

SECTION: TELEGRAPH, Pg. 1A

LENGTH: 1074 words

HEADLINE: Race now in voters' hands;
Bush, Gore make final pitch in tightest election in decades;
Congress up for grabs;
ELECTION 2000

BYLINE: Paul West

SOURCE: SUN NATIONAL STAFF

BODY:

... most closely watched race in the country, after the Gore-Bush match, is the Senate vote in New York, where **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** is expected to become the first first lady ever elected to public office.

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November 7, 2000, Tuesday ,THIRD EDITION

SECTION: NATIONAL/FOREIGN; Pg. A20

LENGTH: 164 words

HEADLINE: CAMPAIGN 2000 / CAMPAIGN JOURNAL;
BY THE NUMBERS CLINTON-LAZIO RACE PUTS HEAT ON POLLS

BYLINE: (Globe staff)

BODY:

... showdown between the pollsters. In their final survey of likely voters, released yesterday, the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute shows **Hillary Rodham Clinton** pulling ahead of Rick Lazio, 51-39 while Zogby International has Lazio ahead, 50-49.

PERSON: RICK A LAZIO (96%); **HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON** (94%); RICK LAZIO (93%);

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November 7, 2000 Tuesday, CHICAGO SPORTS FINAL EDITION

SECTION: News; Pg. 3; ZONE: N

LENGTH: 895 words

HEADLINE: THERE'S ONLY 1 CURE FOR ELECTION SICKNESS, AND IT'S FREE, EASY

BYLINE: John Kass.

BODY:

... offends some people. Here's how to jam those folks who think they are smarter than you: Vote your way.

This leads me to First Lady **Hillary Clinton**. For eight years, I've been trying to agree with the Clintons and I've finally found something.

"I have a new theory," she ...

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The Commercial Appeal (Memphis, TN)

November 7, 2000, TUESDAY, FINAL EDITION

SECTION: NEWS, Pg. A4

LENGTH: 530 words

HEADLINE: IN POLITICS

BYLINE: From our press services.

... N.Y. Senate race

ALBANY, N.Y. - The nation's most-watched Senate race roared through its final hours Monday, with **Hillary** Rodham Clinton and Rick Lazio hustling for votes.

Of three new polls released Monday, one showed the first lady with a ...

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November 7, 2000 Tuesday 2D EDITION

SECTION: BUSINESS; Pg. C-01

LENGTH: 812 words

HEADLINE: Experts: Market, investors favoring a Bush victory Winner to influence how sectors perform

BYLINE: By Aldo Svaldi, Denver Post Business Writer,

BODY:

... evaporate,' said Fred Taylor, principal with Northstar Investment Advisors.

Pharmaceuticals tanked in the early 1990s when first lady **Hillary** Rodham Clinton spearheaded health care reform and only rebounded when Congress blocked the effort.

Energy companies also could find a friend in ...

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November 7, 2000, Tuesday

SECTION: Main News Pg.6

LENGTH: 341 words

HEADLINE: Polls show N.Y. race is close

SOURCE: Associated Press

BODY:

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Albany, N.Y. -The most-watched Senate race in the country roared through its final hours Monday, with **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** holding rallies in cities across the state and Rick Lazio campaigning for votes in the suburbs.

In three ...

... error of plus or minus 4 points.

Photo By: KATHY WILLENS/ASSOCIATED PRESS: In the city: Democratic candidate **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** is joined by daughter Chelsea Monday at a rally in Buffalo, N.Y.

PERSON: RICK A LAZIO (93%); **HILLARY** RODHAM **CLINTON** (93%); RICK LAZIO (92%); DOUG FLUTIE (78%); BILL COSBY (53%); GEORGE PATAKI (50%);

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November 07, 2000, Tuesday 3 STAR EDITION

SECTION: A; Pg. 1

LENGTH: 1575 words

HEADLINE: CAMPAIGN 2000 ;
For Gore, Bush: moment of truth ;
Big voter turnout is predicted locally

SOURCE: Staff, Associated Press

BYLINE: JULIE MASON, R.G. RATCLIFFE; Chronicle reporter R.G. Ratcliffe and The Associated Press contributed to this story.

BODY:

... In New York, voters will decide the closely watched U.S. Senate race between Democratic first lady **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** and Republican U.S. Rep. Rick Lazio.

Three polls released in the state Monday showed Clinton with leads ranging from ...

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November 07, 2000, Tuesday 3 STAR EDITION

SECTION: A; Pg. 26

LENGTH: 653 words

HEADLINE: Conflicted? Take clothespin, split vote

BYLINE: WILLIAM SAFIRE; Safire is a Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist of The New York Times, based in Washington, D.C.

BODY:

... ticket.

Let's say you plan to place that clothespin firmly on your nose while you vote for Gore. All this and **Hillary Clinton**, too? With a Democratic House and Senate to egg him on, we would risk untested entitlements and litmus-tested judges, with no restraint on ...

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November 7, 2000, Tuesday ALL EDITIONS

SECTION: VIEWPOINTS; Page A34

LENGTH: 532 words

HEADLINE: THERE'S IRONY IN THE BUSH DWI STORY

BYLINE: ROBERT RENO

BODY:

... business dealings, or any human being's, survive being rummaged through as savagely as Ken Starr ransacked the lives of Bill and **Hillary Clinton?**

Anyway, it mocks irony that Republicans, who'd already nominated two oil men and two Texans, would turn out to have ...

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SECTION: NEWS; Page A03

LENGTH: 828 words

HEADLINE: ELECTION 2000 / LOOKS LIKE A PHOTO FINISH

BYLINE: By Deborah Barfield, Craig Gordon and Ken Fireman. WASHINGTON BUREAU

GRAPHIC:

... Wis. AP Cover Photos - 3) Gore 4) Bush. Newsday Cover Photo/J. Michael Dombroski - 5) **Hillary Clinton** 6) Newsday Photo/Daniel Goodrich - Lazio

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November 7, 2000, Tuesday NASSAU AND SUFFOLK EDITION

SECTION: NEWS; Page A04

LENGTH: 858 words

HEADLINE: ELECTION 2000 / A GUIDE TO TRACK THE VOTE / PORTENT IN MARKET, KEY
STATES' RETURNS

BYLINE: By James Toedtman. WASHINGTON BUREAU CHIEF

BODY:

... senators in Virginia, Nevada and New York.

10 p.m.: Early returns from New York. The Senate race between **Hillary** Rodham
Clinton and Rick Lazio will depend on how closely Clinton can match the vote for
Charles Schumer, who ...

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November 7, 2000, Tuesday ALL EDITIONS

SECTION: NEWS; Page A05

LENGTH: 754 words

HEADLINE: ELECTION 2000 / SPRINT TO THE FINISH / CLINTON, LAZIO URGE FAITHFUL TO
VOTE AS POLLS SHOW AN EDGE

BYLINE: By Elizabeth Moore, Stephanie Saul and John Riley. STAFF WRITERS

BODY:

Two new statewide polls released yesterday showed **Hillary Rodham Clinton** leading Rep. Rick Lazio as the candidates spent the final 24 hours before Election Day stumping for votes that could ...

GRAPHIC:

... Giuliani gives Rick Lazio a hand with some last-minute campaigning in Bensonhurst. 2) First lady **Hillary Rodham Clinton** greets supporters at a rally on the steps of City Hall in Albany.

PERSON: RICK LAZIO (96%); **HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON** (96%); RICK A
LAZIO (94%); CHARLES E SCHUMER (57%);

SUBJECT: CAMPAIGN.CANDIDATE.ELECTION.**HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON**.RICK LAZIO.SENATE.
POLLS & SURVEYS (93%); CAMPAIGNS & ELECTIONS (92%); VOTERS AND
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November 7, 2000, Tuesday QUEENS EDITION

SECTION: NEWS; Page A04

LENGTH: 572 words

HEADLINE: ELECTION 2000 / RESULTS LOOK LIKE A NUMBERS CRUNCH / TIGHT RACES HINGE
ON VOTER TURNOUT

BYLINE: By Dan Janison. STAFF WRITER

BODY:

... 551,000 Republicans. The rest of the state is more evenly divided. So high city turnout would presumably help Democratic candidate **Hillary Clinton**, unless she's despised so bitterly in some places that a backlash occurs.

With that in mind, loyal Democrats yesterday were ...

PERSON: ALFONSE M D'AMATO (90%); GEORGE PATAKI (58%); ROBERT ABRAMS (58%); JERRY SKURNIK (56%); **HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON** (52%); GREGORY MEEKS (50%);

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SECTION: NEWS; Page A04

LENGTH: 670 words

HEADLINE: ELECTION 2000 / RANGEL PUT THE PIECES TOGETHER

BYLINE: Dennis Duggan

BODY:

In what is called "the other election," **Hillary Clinton** appears today to be headed toward victory over Rep. Rick Lazio, thanks more to what pollster John Zogby calls ...

PERSON: **HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON** (95%); **CHARLES B RANGEL** (94%); **RICK LAZIO** (92%); **TOM MANTON** (69%); **H CARL MCCALL** (62%); ...

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SECTION: SPORTS; Page A67

LENGTH: 226 words

HEADLINE: SPORTS FLASH / FIRST FAN ON WFAN

BYLINE: Steve Zipay

BODY:

... all-sports format but was apparently reading off a list of stations with strong signals in states where Democrats, such as **Hillary Clinton**, are running for key offices.

When Clinton went on the air, Francesa and Russo chatted very briefly about the Razorbacks and Washington ...

PERSON: WILLIAM JEFFERSON 'BILL' CLINTON (93%); HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON (93%); MIKE FRANCESCA (90%); CHRIS RUSSO (87%); SUZYN WALDMAN (70%);

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November 7, 2000 Tuesday, METRO

SECTION: A SECTION; Pg. A6

LENGTH: 325 words

HEADLINE: CLINTON TARGETS CITIES; LAZIO GOES TO SUBURBS;
ON THE FINAL DAY OF THE NEW YORK SENATE CAMPAIGN, THE CANDIDATES FOCUSED ON
THEIR BASE CONSTITUENCIES.

BYLINE: Associated Press

BODY:

ALBANY, N.Y. -- The most-watched Senate race in the country roared through
its final hours Monday, with **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** planning rallies in cities
from one end of the state to the other, and Rick Lazio campaigning for votes in
the suburbs.

...

PERSON: RICK A LAZIO (95%); **HILLARY** RODHAM **CLINTON** (94%); RICK
LAZIO (92%); BILL COSBY (52%);

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November 7, 2000 Tuesday, FLORIDA

SECTION: SPORTS,; Pg. C2

LENGTH: 802 words

HEADLINE: THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A GOOD SPORT IN THIS RACE

BYLINE: David Whitley, Sentinel Columnist

BODY:

... Boston's Carl Yastrzemski in the head. A woozy Yaz goes
hitless as the Reds win the Series.

2010 -- President **Hillary Clinton** rules that Grant Hill's nagging ankle
injury is not covered by her new national health care program, thereby sparing
...

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SECTION: MAIN NEWS; Pg. A1; Campaign 2000

LENGTH: 1185 words

HEADLINE: Election: Real squeaker left many cold

BYLINE: David Westphal Bee Washington Bureau Chief

BODY:

... midnight balloting.

Americans' trips to 150,000 voting precincts promised to resolve many other cliffhangers. Among the most prominent: **Hillary** Rodham Clinton's New York bid to become the first wife of a president to win election to the Senate, and Missouri Democrats' campaign to send ...

PERSON: GEORGE W BUSH (94%); ALBERT GORE JR (93%); RALPH NADER (51%); **HILLARY** RODHAM CLINTON (50%);

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November 7, 2000, Tuesday, FIVE STAR LIFT EDITION

SECTION: METRO, Pg. B2

LENGTH: 60 words

HEADLINE: CORRECTIONS

BODY:

* In some editions Monday, photo captions about New York Senate candidates Rick Lazio and **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** were transposed.

PERSON: **HILLARY** RODHAM **CLINTON** (72%); RICK A LAZIO (72%); RICK LAZIO (71%); JIMMY SMITS (70%);

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November 7, 2000, Tuesday, FIVE STAR LIFT EDITION

SECTION: EVERYDAY MAGAZINE, Pg. F6

LENGTH: 742 words

HEADLINE: TV NETWORKS PLAN LONG NIGHT OF ELECTION COVERAGE

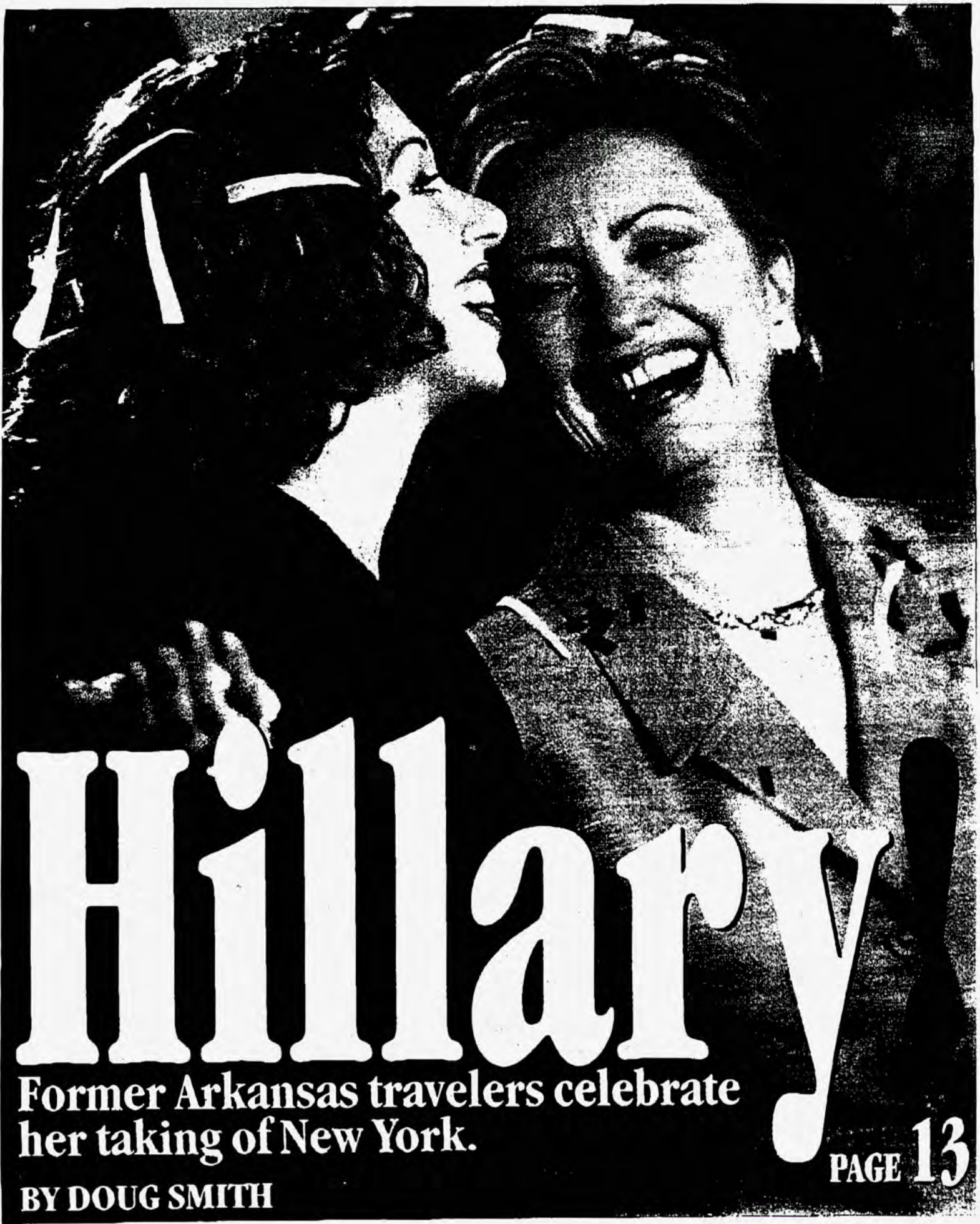
BYLINE: From News Services

BODY:

... seats while Sam Donaldson will handle the Senate races, including the New York contest between First Lady **Hillary** Rodham **Clinton** and Rep. Rick Lazio.

ABC News will run highlights of election news throughout the night. "Good Morning America" ...

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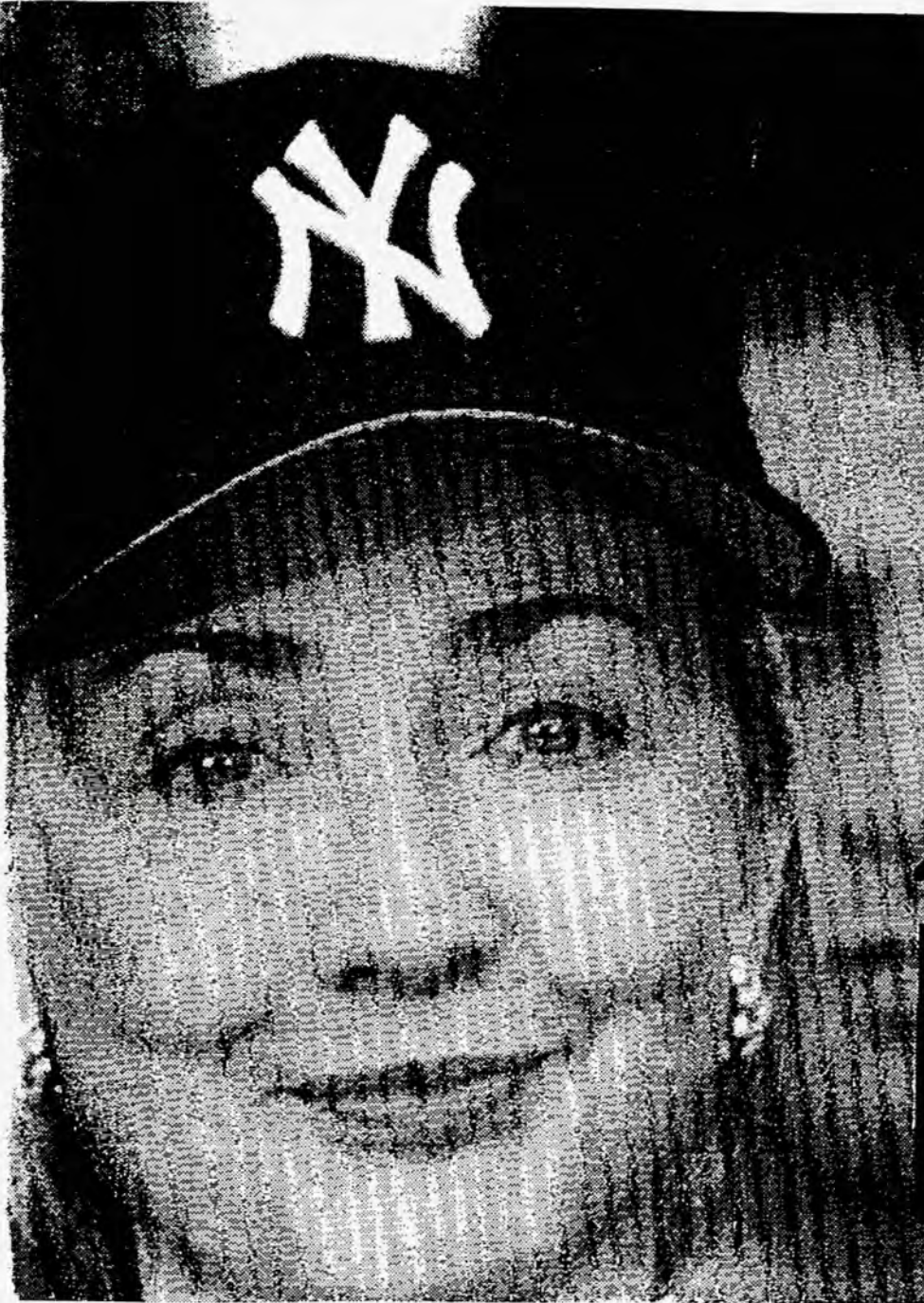


Hillary

Former Arkansas travelers celebrate her taking of New York.

BY DOUG SMITH

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OUT *of* Arkansas

*Hillary finds her zone
in New York, New York*

BY DOUG SMITH



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NEW YORK — On the Monday night before the election, Hillary Clinton has found a comfort zone. Not physically comfortable, exactly — it's hot and sweaty and crowded in here — but soothing to the soul. It is a rally by the Service Employees International Union. These people like Hillary. They like Democrats.

She has other friends and allies around her. Sen. Charles Schumer reminds the crowd that Hillary appeared with him before the same group two years ago, when he was a congressman running for the Senate. "We'll make a great team in the United States Senate," he says. New York's other senator, Daniel Patrick Moynihan, whom Hillary wants to succeed, is here too. Moynihan knew Eleanor Roosevelt. "Eleanor Roosevelt would have loved Hillary Clinton," he says. Probably so. Each was the most-loved and most-hated woman of her time.

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POPULAR CAMPAIGNER: First Daughter Chelsea Clinton took a term off from her senior year at Stanford to campaign for her mother. She receives warm responses from crowds.

HILLARY

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There's another person on the stage, doubtless the most important of all to Hillary. When she's introduced, Chelsea Clinton draws a huge roar from the crowd.

Other speakers help warm up the group. The SEIU is predominantly black, and so are many of the speakers — the actor Ossie Davis; former Mayor David Dinkins; state Comptroller Carl McCall, believed to be a rising star politically; Rep. Charles Rangel, who will be chairman of the Ways and Means Committee if the Democrats gain control of the House. In his raspy voice, Rangel advises "Watch the people who hate Bill and Hillary Clinton. They're the same people who hate us."

Then it's Hillary's turn, and she says the same sort of things she's been saying for months: "I want to see the prosperity continue. I want to expand and deepen it... Chuck Schumer and I will fight for a real patients' bill of rights, and we will pass it." But she still says them with great enthusiasm and sincerity. She should be tired — she campaigned in western New York all day before coming to midtown Manhattan — but it doesn't show. Maybe she isn't tired. This is Hillary's time. Maybe she's never been less tired.

IT IS A VIOLATION OF NEWSPAPER STYLE, and the *Arkansas Times'* own style, but indulge a small presumption and let us call her "Hillary" throughout. Maybe someday she will be "Clinton" — certainly she'll be Senator Clinton if she wins this election — but for now, "Clinton" is Bill, the president, and "Mrs. Clinton" seems inappropriate — disrespectful even — for a woman who is trying so hard to become something more

A college friend of Hillary's said friends had been disappointed when she married Bill and put her own ambitions on hold. They thought she'd be a candidate for president one day.

than Mrs. Bill Clinton. Besides, "Hillary" is what everyone in New York calls her, friend and foe. She's become like Elvis — one name suffices.

Some think Hillary's time is long overdue. Former Arkansas state Sen. Jerry Bookout of Jonesboro was a "Friend of Bill," one of a band of Arkansas Clinton loyalists who campaigned throughout the country for him in 1992, when he was still an unknown quantity to most Americans. Bookout remembers a couple of things vividly from the New Hampshire presidential primary:

"It was the New Hampshire Democratic

Convention. Clinton couldn't be there because of bad weather or something. It was snowing, I remember, typical February in New Hampshire. This was when there were a lot of candidates running. They were all there, and they were all saying 'I guess New Hampshire's not important enough for Bill Clinton.' The national TV people were there. Hillary had to speak for Bill, and she spoke last. I was worried. She handled it like a champion, all the Clinton-bashing, she

handled it like it was a Sunday School picnic. I was stunned. They gave her a standing ovation. And here's the Clinton Luck! Just then, he walks in, and he mowed 'em down, and he got a standing ovation."

Bookout met a woman who'd been a college friend of Hillary's at Wellesley. "She told me that Hillary's friends had been disappointed when she married Bill and put her own ambitions on hold. Because they thought SHE'D be a candidate for president some day."

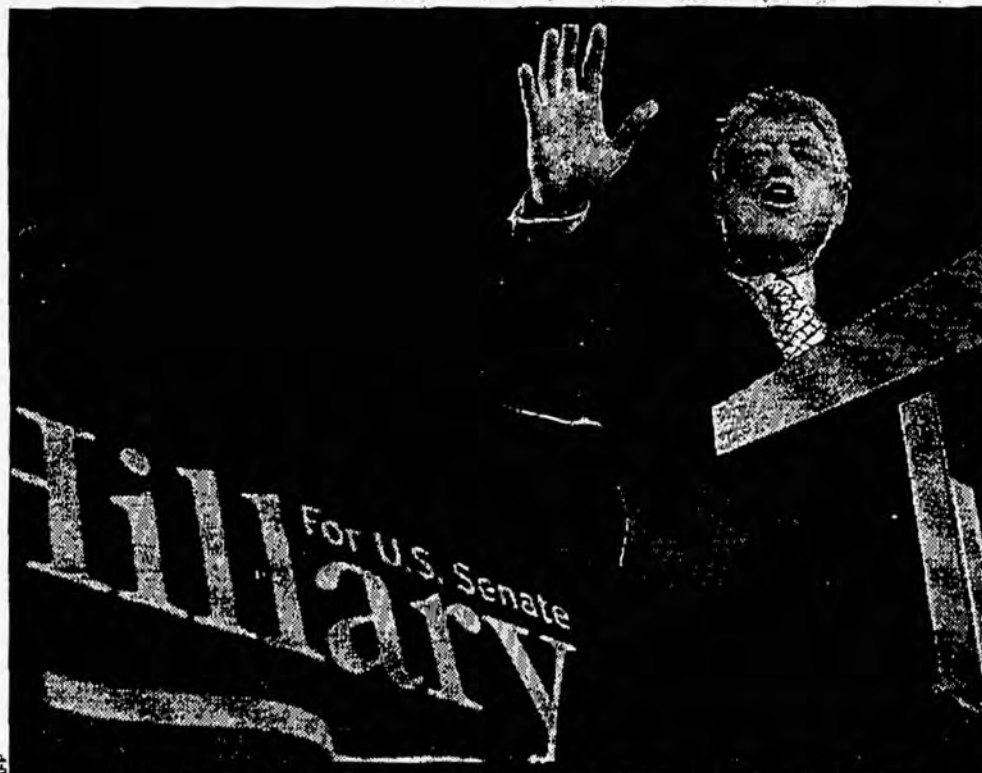
Bookout didn't go to New York for the Hillary campaign, but he keeps up with it in

the media and expects her to win. "She's strong. She's focused."

Does the average Arkansan, not especially active politically, doesn't do much more than vote, does that person still feel any affiliation with Hillary, have any interest in whether she's elected senator from New York? An Illinois native, she spent almost 20 years in Arkansas, much of it as first lady. As a New York candidate, she doesn't dwell on her Arkansas years. But then, who would?

"I think a lot of people gave her credit for what she did for education in this state," Bookout said. "But the interest has probably waned. She's been gone for eight years. Now she's moved her legal residency and is running for office in another state. I don't imagine most Arkansans have been following her race closely."

SOMEWHAT WISTFULLY, PATTY CRINER allowed that this was the first election year since 1974 that she hadn't worked in a Clinton election campaign. She is suffering, albeit cheerfully, from the political empty-nest syndrome. Criner, of Little Rock, is in the real estate business, but as her quote suggests, she's into politics and government too. "I didn't even offer to work in Hillary's Senate campaign," she said. "I know that carpet-bagging is a sensitive issue." She also knows that the old saying about New Yorkers being



PROUD HUBBY: President Bill Clinton raised money for his wife's Senate bid, but mostly stayed out of the campaign's way.

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the most chauvinistic people in the world has a lot of truth in it. Even so, New Yorkers have accepted and elected outsiders to high office before — Sen. Robert F. Kennedy (from Massachusetts) and Sen. James Buckley (from Connecticut) to name a couple. Sen. Kennedy, brother of the then-president, as Hillary is wife of the now-president, is still something of a hero to New York Democrats, and his son lives here. Every time Hillary's opponent, Rep. Rick Lazio, tries to make a point about an outsider, Robert Kennedy Jr. pops up with a new endorsement.

To real Southerners, the idea that even a

Daily News, and helps direct the newspaper's political coverage. She knows that a Southern drawl can be a disadvantage in New York. She dropped her North Carolina accent years ago. (The Daily News wound up endorsing Hillary, as did The New York Times. The New York Post, Rupert Murdoch's paper, endorsed Lazio, of course, and made its distaste for Hillary known in its news columns as well as its editorial page. Murdoch is famous for this. He would have done the same to Eleanor Roosevelt.)

New York has never had a woman U. S. senator, and many women would like to see that change. Still, white professional women don't seem to be pulling for Hillary quite as much as you'd expect, Spencer said. "No one really knows why. One theory is they

quasi-Southerner like Hillary would be called a "carpetbagger" when she goes North is something of an amusement. Carpetbaggers had the force of the government on their side. Tourists and visitors don't. Many of the original carpetbaggers were

from Hillary's real home state, Illinois, but they took their carpetbags south, not east.

Lazio keeps pounding on the fact that he's a native New Yorker — one commercial shows him clamming on Long Island, where he lives — and she's not. To what effect is uncertain. Hillary seems to be running well — for a Democrat — in upstate and western New York, which are generally inclined to be Republican, as New York City is generally inclined to be Democratic. It helps that she never acquired an Arkansas accent.

"She sounds like the people from upstate and western New York," Isabell Spencer said. "They basically have that midwestern sound." Besides that, Spencer said, "If there's anything upstate New Yorkers hate more than an outsider, it's somebody from downstate." Spencer is a deputy city editor of the

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think she should have left her husband. Another, especially with suburban women, is that there's a Giuliani carryover." Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, a Republican like Lazio, was expected to be Hillary's opponent, but dropped out for health reasons. Some credit Giuliani with making New York safe again. Hispanic women are for Hillary, Spencer said, and black women are overwhelmingly for her, just as black voters have been her husband's most steadfast supporters. On the Sunday before election, Hillary visited five black churches — in the Bronx, in Queens and in Brooklyn — and got a royal reception at each. Did even her husband ever work five black churches in one day?

These were all Protestant churches, which brings up an interesting point. Comptroller McCall is the first Protestant to hold

statewide office in New York since Nelson Rockefeller left the governor's office in 1973. Hillary would be the second. In Little Rock, she was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

The other Clinton has not been seen much during Hillary's campaign, although he's showed up at fund-raisers. Though she clearly wants to run her own race, and avoid any negatives associated with her husband, the Bill factor probably works mostly in her favor in New York, according to Harvey Cooper, a Daily News copy editor and former Arkansan. "He's still popular in New York. And the prosperity helps." Really, Cooper is a native New Yorker, but he spent five years at the old Arkansas Gazette in the 1970s. So he counts.

Don Harrell, on the other hand, is a native Arkansan who grew up in Camden with David Pryor. He worked for Pryor while Pryor was governor and senator. Some years ago he moved to New York to take the job of executive vice president for external affairs of the giant teachers retirement fund called Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association/College Retirement Equities Fund (TIAA/CREF).



ANOTHER TRANSPLANT: Former Arkansas politico Don Harrell, now a New York executive, predicted Hillary's big win.

"I think she's going to win and maybe win big," Harrell said. "The outsider thing will always be an issue, but on the other hand, people say look at what she's capable of doing, with her background and her knowledge. Lazio has never gotten over to the public anything but the perception he's a lightweight. Part of it is his demeanor — he's almost too youthful. And you know, she's tough. She'll talk about details. Mass transit — that's a big deal here, and she can talk about it." Is there an element of anti-Arkansas in the "outsider" talk? "I don't think so. It's just that she's not from here."

CRINER, BOOKOUT, SKIP RUTHERFORD of Little Rock, Sheila Bronfman of Little Rock, state Sen. Jay Bradford of Pine Bluff, Ann Henry of Fayetteville: These are a few of the Clinton activists who've contributed financially to the Hillary campaign — and helped organize a fund-raiser attended by

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both Clintons in Little Rock last spring — but who've been largely uninvolved otherwise. (Rutherford said he'd answered questions from Hillary's press aides about Arkansas matters and Arkansas people.)

"That Little Rock fund-raiser was like a reunion for Clinton folks," Bradford said. A last hurrah, maybe. None of these old Clinton activists planned to be with Hillary in New York on election night, though some were invited. Some cited other campaigns, closer to home. Connie Fails of Little Rock, the designer/clothier and friend of Hillary, said that travel arrangements became too complicated for a family with three children. "We'll watch and celebrate at home," she said.

"If Diane Blair were alive, she'd be there," Rutherford said. The former University of Arkansas political science professor and close Clinton friend died this year.

'If she wins and Gore is defeated, the Democrats will be pushing her to the top of the ticket in 2004.'

—Jay Bradford

Are Arkansans still interested in Hillary? Ann Henry says that the "strong women" Henry associates with are Rutherford, Bookout and Bradford said there's a good reason for everybody to be interested, besides personal friendship. If elected, she'll be the center of attention the minute she walks in the Senate chamber, they say, a force more powerful than the average freshman senator. "If she wins and Gore is defeated, the Democrats will be pushing her to the top of the ticket — at least vice president — in 2004," Bradford said.

Maybe the question should be, is Hillary still interested in Arkansans? Inevitably, most of her Arkansas friends are people who were friends of Bill first. He was the governor, and the native son. In New York, Bill may



SKIP RUTHERFORD: Says Hillary will be the center of attention in the Senate.



IN THE FOREFRONT: The most visible Arkansans behind her were her husband and daughter.

find himself surrounded by people who are friends of Hillary first. But there's someone besides Bill to insure that Arkansas and Hillary never drift completely apart. Chelsea is a native daughter, born in Little Rock, and got her early schooling there. We'll never let her escape that. Judging from the response she gets on the campaign trail, Chelsea may be in politics one of these days. It's not too early to begin thinking about the first mother-daughter presidential team.

IT IS ELECTION NIGHT AT THE GRAND Hyatt Hotel, and Diane Blair is not here, of course. But her husband Jim is. A reporter bumps into him at the elevator. "It hurts," he says. "So many memories. But I decided I had to do it." He speculates that Hillary may become the next Ted Kennedy — the Democratic senator that the Republicans always run against, no matter who's actually on the ballot. Then he heads up to the VIP room on the top floor. Bruce Lindsey, Bill Clinton's closest aide as governor and president, is here too. According to Lindsey, so is Bill Nash, another Arkansan who accompanied Clinton to Washington.

After much difficulty, the reporter makes his way into the ballroom that is the official Hillary headquarters on election night, and except for there being a whole lot more reporters and more security, he finds it not so different from election-night headquarters in Arkansas. There is the early and erroneous report spread by someone that TV has declared Hillary the winner with the polls barely closed, or maybe before. A great cheer goes up. Then the actual results appear on the TV screens, showing Hillary and Lazio neck and neck in the early returns. The cheers quieten. Then somebody says, "Those are the upstate returns. She'll win when the downstate votes are counted." And this time, somebody is right. Then all three Clintons appear. A very great cheer indeed goes up.

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The Reliable Source**At Hillary's Fete, a Bundle Of Emotions**By LLOYD GROVE
Washington Post Staff Writer

NEW YORK, Nov. 8

A Gore loyalists are enraged at **Ralph Nader**, whose third-party campaign may have denied Gore the presidency. Around 2:30 a.m. today in **Bill** and **Hillary Clinton's** hotel suite—where Miramax mogul **Harvey Weinstein** and Talk magazine mistress **Tina Brown** gathered with 50-odd beer-drinking movie folk and hangers-on (including yours truly)—it was apparent that the Clintons are no exception.

After President Clinton ticked off the states, including Florida, where Nader was hurting Gore, Brown's husband, **Harry Evans**, exclaimed: "I want to *kill* Nader!"

"That's not a bad idea!" Sen.-elect

See RELIABLE SOURCE, C3, Col. 1



BY LYNSEY ADDARIO—ASSOCIATED PRESS

Clinton cheered his wife and assailed the press's "pro-Bush" coverage.

Night With the Clintons

RELIABLE SOURCE, From C1

Clinton replied with a big grin—immediately followed by a collective cry of "That's off the record!"

But when life or death may hang in the balance, we don't believe there's any such thing. So should Nader beef up his security? Maybe, but there's certainly no reason to doubt that Clinton—if not Evans—was joking.

The mood among this morning's faithful—including **Uma Thurman** and **Ben Affleck**—ranged from giddy elation (over Hillary Clinton's drubbing of **Rick Lazio**) to basic dread (over Gore's possible loss to **George W. Bush**). Because of all the uncertainty, the first couple and daughter **Chelsea** decided not to drop by the glitzy Election Night bash at Elaine's, hosted by Weinstein, Brown and financial media baron **Michael Bloomberg**, but instead invited a delegation to the 34th floor of the Grand Hyatt Hotel.

"I grew up believing that Ralph Nader was a great leader, a folk hero," Weinstein told us bitterly as the Clintons worked the room and a television blared. "No more!"

On the bright side, the president told his guests how proud he was of his wife, who leaned into him, nuzzling his neck as he stroked her green-pantsuited back. Hillary Clinton, for her part, thanked Affleck for campaigning with her in the final week. "He really brought out a huge crowd at Cornell," she said.

"Too bad none of them were old enough to vote," the leading man replied.

Thurman, meanwhile, breathlessly told the president how the first televised debate between Gore and Bush "made me really miss you," which got Clinton to complaining about the campaign coverage. "The press was pro-Bush," he insisted. "They set an impossibly high standard, an absurdly high standard, for Gore," he went on. "It was disgusting," he concluded, glancing furtively in our direction.

For a while he stood around watching TV, as the networks projected the results of various statewide contests. When the late **Mel Carnahan** was declared the winner of the Senate race in Missouri, the president shouted "Yessss!" and pressed his palm to the screen.

A moment later, the first lady mused about her Senate plans: "We have to figure out what we do now."

"You sound like **Robert Redford** in 'The Candidate,'" her husband teased.

Then the president excused himself—"Gotta get back to work," he said—and departed with his wife.

"Has he really left?" Thurman asked us moodily. Yes, and he won't be back, we replied.

"Oh, shut up!" the actress admonished.

It was that kind of night.

Hillary pledges not to seek presidency in '04

By Steve Miller
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

NEW YORK — Senator-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton yesterday promised she will not run for president in 2004 but will serve her full six years as New York's senator.

At her first press conference as senator-elect, Mrs. Clinton told reporters that in coming months she will be fulfilling her duties as outgoing first lady while preparing to begin serving as senator.

She said her first congressional bill will address what she has for months called the lagging New York economy.

She said she will stress obtaining federal aid for impoverished areas.

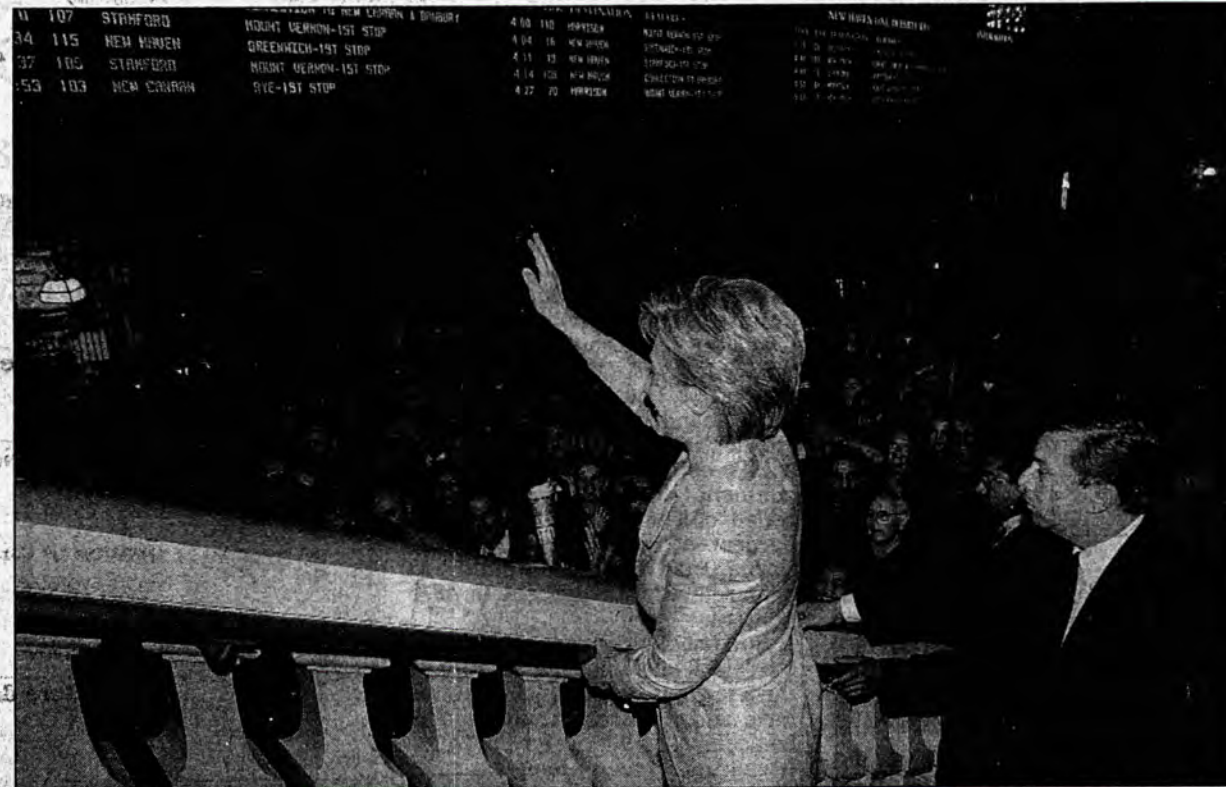
The only first lady to win public office bounded into a cramped meeting room and thanked the media. It was an incongruous blessing, given the distance she kept from the press during her 16-month campaign.

Mrs. Clinton had spent a mostly sleepless night at the Grand Hyatt, where she held her victory party.

She reported fielding an array of congratulatory calls all night, including one at 5:30 a.m. from Vice President Al Gore.

The first lady on Tuesday defeated Rep. Rick Lazio 55 percent to 43 percent, a margin larger than most polls had predicted.

As a junior senator, Mrs. Clinton said she expects a "positive reception" in the Republican dominated Senate, although when her husband, President Clinton, was being impeached, she referred to some of those senators as part of a "vast



New York Sen.-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton greets commuters at Grand Central Station yesterday.

Photo by Maya Alleruzzo/The Washington Times

right-wing conspiracy."

"I look forward to working with them on issues," said Mrs. Clinton, who said Republican Sen. Orrin G. Hatch called her early in the day to wish her well. "The issues I carry with me to the Senate are not Republican or Democratic issues. I absolutely believe we can build a consensus."

She added that with a Congress

that will be nearly 50-50, "nobody will be able to pass anything without working with everybody. I have allies on both sides of the aisle."

Some of her views, though, are unlikely to ever be accepted by a Republican majority. Her positions on gun control and a woman's right to choose are examples.

"We have to stand our ground on those issues," she said.

Mrs. Clinton's campaign platform has focused heavily on her pro-choice views as well as on putting together an economic plan for New York regions that have lost population over the past decade. She calls it "targeted economic help."

Mrs. Clinton tomorrow will fly to several upstate New York towns for airport rallies.

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—Hillary Rodham Clinton

Speculation already has begun on the degree of security Mrs. Clinton both requires and demands and how that will affect everyday life at the Capitol.

Her entourage invariably keeps the press at bay or in tightly contained areas. But at the Capitol, it is common to see the likes of Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, the man whose seat Mrs. Clinton will take, walking through the halls alone.

The first lady said she had not considered the degree of Secret Service protection she will use.

But, she added, "I don't expect to get this much attention after today. Being a senator is like any new job, and I'll be learning the ropes and the rules."

She added: "I think people felt I was accessible" during the campaign.

Mrs. Clinton will take office Jan. 3, although she said she has made no plans for living space in the Washington area.

The Clintons bought a \$1.7 million house in Chappaqua, an upscale New York City suburb, last December.

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THE VICTOR

Mrs. Clinton Begins the Transition From First Lady to Senator-Elect

By ELISABETH BUMILLER
and DEAN E. MURPHY

Hillary Rodham Clinton began the remarkable transition yesterday from a quarter-century of derivative power as a political spouse to a potent force in her own right. The world's most famous first lady and senator-elect held a love-fest of a news conference, said that her first bill would be to improve the upstate economy and fended off the inevitable question about whether she would seek the White House in 2004.

"No," she said briskly in otherwise relaxed remarks to reporters at the Grand Hyatt in Manhattan yesterday afternoon. "I'm going to serve my six years as the junior senator from New York."

Although there were few in New York who believed that a woman who routinely attracts a presidential-size flotilla of news media would ever really operate as "junior," Mrs. Clinton began turning her attention yesterday to the practicalities of hiring a Senate staff, perhaps as few as 25 people in Washington, that will face demands like no others on Capitol Hill. If Al Gore loses, Mrs. Clinton will be perhaps the most important Democrat in the country. She will lose that status if Mr. Gore wins, but then she will have more power in Washington.

"She's going to be under incredible scrutiny, and she's still a polarizing figure to some degree in the state," one of Mrs. Clinton's advisers said shortly after the first lady's victory speech on Tuesday night. "She needs knowledgeable people who really know the Hill, Washington and New York."

Mrs. Clinton also said that over the next two months she would try to balance her remaining time as first lady with the preoccupations of a senator-elect. Today, for example, Mrs. Clinton is to attend a White House dinner as the wife of the president. Tomorrow she is to be the senator-elect on a statewide fly-around, thanking New Yorkers for a 12-point margin of victory over Representative Rick A. Lazio that almost no one expected. Next week, Mrs. Clinton will again be first lady as she accompanies her husband on a trip to Vietnam.

At the same time, Mrs. Clinton extravagantly thanked the president, who had operated throughout the race as her chief political adviser, for his help.

"I would not have been standing there without the support and work of my husband," she said. "And I don't think as a New Democrat I would have been standing there without his leadership of the Democratic party and our country. You've heard me say many times over, and I absolutely believe it, that his leadership made a tremendous difference in our nation."

The first lady also said that she would welcome less attention at the close of the



James Estrin/The New York Times

Hillary Rodham Clinton yesterday.

most obsessively covered Senate race in history. "I don't expect this much attention after today," Mrs. Clinton said, looking out at a room so full of journalists and camera crews that many were standing outside the doors. "So I think I will have more of an opportunity to get down to the work of becoming a senator and becoming effective."

But many New York Democrats viewed Mrs. Clinton's words as nothing more than wishful thinking, and said that she and her sometimes rocky marriage would always be a staple of the supermarket tabloids. Hundreds of supporters at the first lady's election night celebration couldn't help noticing that Mrs. Clinton — perhaps in an effort to underscore that the Senate victory was hers alone — made no effort to pose next to her husband in the signature victory photograph with arms raised. Instead, she stood between the Clintons' daughter, Chelsea, and Senator Charles E. Schumer. But in a more private moment afterward, she took the hand of the president as the two left the stage.

Friends say that the first lady's acquisi-

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Beginning the Remarkable Transition From First Lady to New York's Junior Senator

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tion of power as the president gives up his will require inevitable adjustments in the Clintons' marriage — something that the first lady joked about last month. "He has said he is looking forward to being a member of the Senate spouses' club," Mrs. Clinton said in Queens on Oct. 26. "I am sure, given his organizational abilities and his energy, the spouses' club will never be the same."

Although the Senate campaign degenerated in its final weeks into a series of angry partisan exchanges about Palestinian terrorists, campaign contributions and character, Mrs. Clinton said yesterday that she was ready to work with Republicans. She said she had already spoken on the phone with Senator Orrin G. Hatch, the Republican from Utah, and also Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, her Senate opponent before he dropped out of the race citing prostate cancer.

"He and I talked about what we could do in the remaining year of his term," Mrs. Clinton said in describing her conversation with the mayor, who will leave office on Dec. 31, 2001.

Mr. Giuliani, who for the last year and a half roared at the first lady as a carpetbagger whose candidacy made no sense in New York, was suddenly lamblike yesterday morning as he spoke of the new political colleague who was replacing the retiring Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

"I told her that I would do everything that I could as the mayor of New York City to work with her, for the good of the city and the state," Mr. Giuliani said in a news conference at City Hall.

Mr. Giuliani also congratulated Mrs. Clinton on her victory. "She is entitled, as I told her, to a great deal of credit," he said. "She ran a very, very strong, tough campaign, she worked very hard, and when you are in this business you can admire even people who are on the other side, and adversaries, when they have a very, very strong work ethic as she does."

One of Mrs. Clinton's first tasks in the next few months is to find a place to live in Washington after she leaves the White House. Although Mr. Schumer, who lives with his family in Brooklyn, has shared the same small house on Capitol Hill with two colleagues for two decades, friends said it was unlikely that the first lady would adopt a similar arrangement. But in the short run, said Mrs. Clinton's White House press secretary, Lissa Muscatine, temporary arrangements would do.

"I don't think she's had time to focus on where she wants to live," Ms. Muscatine said. "If worse comes to worse, I'm sure she has plenty of friends who would let her sleep on their sofas for a few nights."

As for the presidency, Mrs. Clinton's disclaimer has done little so far to tamp down speculation that she'll be a candidate — if not in 2004, then in 2008, or later. "Of course she'll run," said Mr. Moynihan.

Remarks by Senator-Elect Clinton at News Conference

Following are excerpts from a news conference held yesterday at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Manhattan by Senator-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton, as recorded by The New York Times:

Q You're going to be entering a Senate which is mainly Republicans, and many of whose members voted to remove your husband from office. What sort of reception do you think you'll get there?

MRS. CLINTON. I think I will get a very positive reception. I have worked with a number of the Republican members in the past. I'm looking forward to working with them on a bipartisan basis on behalf of issues that affect their states as well as New York and, of course, our entire country.

Just before I came down, Senator Orrin Hatch called to congratulate me and wish me well. I'll be hearing from other members of the Senate on the other side of the aisle as the day goes by. I reached out to Governor Pataki this morning. And last night, Mayor Giuliani called me and he not only wished me well, he and I talked about what we could do in the remaining year of his term on behalf of this city and the goals that we both share for making life better for all the citizens of New York City.

So I see this as a real opportunity to work in a bipartisan way with people who are interested in many of the same concerns that I have been for a lifetime and that I'll take with me to the Senate.

Q Three months ago, or four maybe, at Columbia-Presbyterian Hospital, you outlined a health care proposal.

A Uh huh.

Q You said that would be your very first priority —

A Right.

Q — order of business in the Senate. Is that still operative?

A Well, the upstate economy and health care and education are my priorities. That's what I've talked about continually through the elections. Obviously, there are many other important issues that I will work on. Working on behalf of health care in the way that I outlined, I think there's a broad coalition of members in the Senate who share my views about building on this step-by-step approach to quality, affordable health care. . . .

My first bill, on my own behalf, will concern the upstate economy and also parts of downstate that have not yet realized the full benefit of the economic prosperity that we enjoy. And of course, what I would propose for upstate communities and for parts of the city downstate would benefit people in other states. But it's the kind of targeted economic help that I think upstate needs to . . . really have a strategy that'll take it into the future economically. . . .

Q Are you going to go for the White House next time?

A No, I'm going to serve my six years as the junior senator from New York. . . .

Q Mrs. Clinton, last night when you were watching the returns, was the president with you? Can you describe the scene? . . .

A Well, I think, you know, well, we had a rather large group of friends, supporters, family with us and people were in and out of our suite upstairs. The president, of course, was there, and he and my daughter were very excited and very happy about the outcome. And as I said last night, I would not have been standing there without, you know, the support and work of my husband.

And I don't think as a new Democrat I would have been standing there without his leadership of the Democratic Party and of our country. You've heard me say many times over, and I absolutely believe it, that his leadership made a tremendous difference in our nation. We're a stronger and better country than we were. And I think that the ideas he brought to politics, the hard work and persistence that he exemplified is something that all of us can, you know, learn from. So you can't separate out an ongoing conversation that we've had about these issues for, you know, 29 years from last night. It's all part of it.

Inside Politics



Compiled by Greg Pierce

Kiss and make up

The New York Post, which spent much of the past year making life miserable for Senate candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton, had something nice to say about the victorious first lady in an editorial yesterday.

"Nobody can say that Hillary Rodham Clinton didn't *earn* the job she won last night," the newspaper said.

"It took guts, perseverance and a lot of hard work to do what the first lady accomplished.

"She overcame the carpetbagger rap because she spent more time upstate than your average appleknocker — while maintaining sufficient presence in the city to keep her electoral base in line.

"She set the rhetorical agenda from Day One, essentially defining the terms of the debate thereafter. This is not easy in a state as philosophically and politically diverse as New York.

"The fact that she pulled it off so neatly is a mark of the professionalism that also was present from the start."

Ain't it grand?

Senator-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton held her victory party Tuesday night in the grand ballroom of the Grand Hyatt at Grand Central Station. And it was quite a scene, Anthony York writes at Salon.com.

Drunken New Yorkers were "spilling down stairs, waiting in line for escalators, jamming themselves into elevators, all waiting to get a glimpse of their new senator," Mr. York said.

"There is an old adage in politics: Book a small room, so it always looks full. But Clinton took that conventional wisdom to the

extreme. The grand ballroom felt like a Britney Spears appearance in a shopping mall — except that the New Yorkers were a lot more intoxicated than teenyboppers, and the bouncers were all Secret Service agents. Meanwhile, more than 100 reporters tried to weave their way through the crowd, flashing their pink and yellow credentials, many of them pecking away dutifully at laptops and barking into cell phones.

"She's running this party like she ran health care," barked an irritated reporter stuck downstairs in the media filing center.

"The scene was something to behold. There was an open microphone, hundreds of adoring Democrats crammed into the room, the president of the United States was on the podium — and he didn't say a word."



THE HILL FACTOR: The Clinton name seemed to be a motivating factor for eager voters to pack the polls. Reuters

Her name alone was enough to pack polls

FROM the look of things, you'd think they were handing out truckloads of free money.

At 10 a.m., just when you figured most people were busy pretending to work, the mob lining up at my Brooklyn polling place snaked around the gymnasium. Twice.

"This is good for Hillary," one neighbor said. "They're all turning out to vote for her."

"This is bad for Hillary," another neighbor said with equal assurance. "They're all turning out to vote against her."

From the Upper West Side to SoHo, things looked pretty much the same. During a normal election — normal meaning any election that doesn't feature a first lady who's more reluctant to leave the White House than Nancy Reagan — the only audible sound is the munching of doughnuts by bored volunteers. I heard several reports of near-fisticuffs engaged in by frazzled would-be voters who lined up with the giddy impatience of teenage girls at a Ricky Martin hip-jiggling fest.

At one polling place in the Village, the voting crowd was abuzz with one question: "Is Monica here yet? Have you seen Monica?"

Alas, the intern who launched not only an impeachment trial, but fueled an ego-salving Senate campaign — and, who knows, might be responsible for putting the first woman in the White House — was not spotted in the early hours.

On the Upper West Side, an altercation was sparked by a woman who had the gall to leave her place on line in order to sign in to vote. Upon her return to the line, a dozen people, angered by what they perceived as line-jumping, screamed at the interloper, who feigned deafness.

Not everyone had to wait so long — up to two hours to vote, in many places. Public Advocate Mark Green arrived at his Upper East Side precinct and finished voting with dazzling swiftness, causing one observer to grumble that the fighter for the people, to

paraphrase Leona Helmsley, believed that only the little people stand on line.

In two decades of voting, I've never seen so many citizens so determined to get their hands on this city's ancient voting contraptions.

For this, we can thank Hillary.

Hillary. For two years now, we've heard the words: Hillary Clinton. Running for Senate. From New York!

But until yesterday, the surreal notion had never quite kicked in. Maybe we'd just gotten used to the absurdity of watching the president's wife pretend she lives in Chappaqua

and cares a hoot about the invasion of black flies in the Adirondacks.

Or maybe star-struck New Yorkers kind of like having her around.

But there was the name, staring at me from behind the tattered curtain of the voting booth: Hillary Rodham Clinton. Finally, we were alone!

Poor Rick Lazio. With the possible exception of his wife, it's unlikely the sound of his moniker ever sent such shudders into the hearts of women.

In the voting booth, I started growing nostalgic for Rudy Giuliani. When he was in the race, it was a clash of the titans, two outsize personalities duking it out for the good of New York. The race meant something.

Rick Lazio, unfortunately, was unable to present himself as more than just the guy Hillary was running against. He had some good ideas, a nice family, a great tan. But his campaign was lackluster, his star credentials lacking.

Alone in the voting booth, I pulled the lever for Rick, praying all the while that my mark amounted to something.

Oh yeah, I also voted for one of the guys running for president.

The "Love Story" guy who cavorted with Buddhist nuns. Not the '70s drunken driver.

ANDREA PEYSER



CAMPAIGN 2000

Hillary leads on final campaign day

By Steve Miller
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

ALBANY, New York — Jewel and 10,000 Maniacs have opened for her, Bill Cosby has shared a stage with her, and President Clinton is on the phone for her.

On the eve of Election Day, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton held the lead in polls.

What the New York Senate race could boil down to, however, is the fact that Democrats have enrolled 282,951 new voters since March 1, compared with the Republicans' 81,799.

After factoring in the margin of error, polls show a tight race. But the voter-enrollment statistic certainly bodes well for Mrs. Clinton.

A Quinnipiac poll gives the first lady a 51 percent to 39 percent edge, including a 71 percent to 19 percent lead among Jews, a key voting bloc of almost 10 percent.

"We've really reached out this year," said Peter Kaufmann, a spokesman for the New York Democratic Party. "And the clearest reason [for the increase in reg-

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istered Democrats] is Hillary's candidacy. She has energized our party and our state, even to the most Republican strongholds."

Overall, registered Democrats outnumber Republicans in New York by about 2 million, noted Stuart Roy, a spokesman for the National Republican Senatorial Committee.

"There are not that many more minds to change," Mr. Roy said. "It's going to be a matter of where Hillary Clinton's vote cap is, how many people she can actually get."

But the latest enrollments are very likely to vote, noted pollster Lee Miringoff of the Marist College Institute for Public Opinion. "They are aiming for a core constituency here, and this could be

very significant," said Mr. Miringoff, whose latest poll has Mrs. Clinton ahead 47 percent to 43 percent.

The first lady yesterday took her machinelike campaign to several upstate towns — some that were, indeed, Republican outposts.

She delivered essentially the same speech at each stop, touting a platform of lower taxes, better transportation systems and improved public education.

In Buffalo, the message went to 350 persons in a sports arena at Buffalo State College, most of them students. Her warm-up act was a Rochester-bred band called 10,000 Maniacs.

Last week Jewel, a Democratic ally, performed two songs before

Mrs. Clinton spoke at Manhattanville College in Purchase, N.Y.

Accompanying her to the lectern was Mr. Cosby as well as Sen. Charles E. Schumer, Buffalo Bills quarterback Doug Flutie and several local Democratic leaders.

After telling the collegiate gathering she wants to make tuition up to \$10,000 tax deductible, Mrs. Clinton got to the point: "The election will be determined by how many vote."

"If you don't vote, you won't be able to determine what will happen in the future," said the first lady, who looked remarkably refreshed after 18 hours of campaigning on Sunday. "You turn that right over to someone else."

Three hours later, in Albany, Mrs. Clinton told a gathering of about 500 people in front of city hall the same thing. This time her voice was becoming ragged while her spirits became livelier.

She again delivered her "this-is-what-we'll-do" speech with Mr. Schumer smiling approvingly.

Her crowds upstate are generally smaller and less enthusiastic



Photo by Maya Alleruzzo/The Washington Times

Hillary Rodham Clinton, the Democratic U.S. Senate candidate, talks with supporters at a rally for her in Albany, N.Y., yesterday.

than those in New York City, where she has a dominant lead in the polls.

On Sunday night, the first lady returned to Broome County, where she announced her candidacy at Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan's farm in July 1999.

This time, though, the venue was a sparsely filled airplane hanger at

the airport. A local country band ran through its entire repertoire and even some songs it didn't know because of the first lady's tardiness.

New T-shirts, "Upstate New York Loves Hillary," were in evidence, a sign that her visits are helping — even in Republican Broome County.

November 8, 2000

U.S. Senate

Here are the latest returns from the Associated Press. The first column is the number of votes received; the second is the percentage of votes received. Percentages may not total 100 because of rounding. A ■ denotes the winner.

(D) Democrat (R) Republican (I) Independent
(RP) Reform Party (L) Libertarian (O) Other
*Incumbent

ARIZONA (82%)

■ Jon Kyl* (R)	837,578	79%
Vance Hansen (O)	82,632	8
Barry Hess (L)	52,467	5
William Toel (I)	82,829	8

CALIFORNIA (33%)

■ Dianne Feinstein* (D)	1,568,968	52%
Tom Campbell (R)	1,233,047	41
Medea Benjamin (O)	77,737	3
Jose Camahort (RP)	22,477	1
Gail Lightfoot (L)	47,906	2
Brian Rees (O)	13,806	0
Diane Templin (O)	35,258	1

CONNECTICUT (91%)

■ Joseph Lieberman* (D)	741,075	64%
Phil Giordano (R)	395,344	34
William Kozak (O)	15,777	1
Willey Moore (L)	6,281	1

DELAWARE (100%)

■ Thomas Carper (D)	181,387	56%
William Roth* (R)	142,683	44
Mark Dankof (O)	1,041	0
Robert Mattson (O)	389	0
Burke Morrison (L)	1,103	0

FLORIDA (91%)

■ Bill Nelson (D)	2,603,487	50%
Bill McCollum (R)	2,422,163	47
Willie Logan (I)	70,866	1
Joel Deckard (RP)	15,208	0
Andy Martin (I)	13,020	0
Darrell McCormick (I)	19,125	0
Joe Simonetta (O)	22,612	0

GEORGIA (85%)

■ Zell Miller* (D)	1,050,507	56%
Mack Mattingly (R)	760,924	40
Ben Ballenger (I)	18,443	1
Jeff Gates (I)	15,717	1
Paul MacGregor (I)	20,434	1
Winnie Walsh (I)	8,891	0
Bobby Wood (I)	9,637	1

HAWAII (0%)

■ Daniel Akaka* (D)	0	0%
John Carroll (R)	0	0
Lauri Clegg (O)	0	0
Lloyd Mallan (L)	0	0
David Porter (O)	0	0

INDIANA (96%)

David Johnson (D)	642,244	32%
■ Richard Lugar* (R)	1,338,178	67
Paul Hager (L)	31,628	2

MAINE (57%)

Mark Lawrence (D)	110,515	32%
■ Olympia Snowe* (R)	236,096	68

MARYLAND (99%)

■ Paul Sarbanes* (D)	1,164,661	63%
Paul Rappaport (R)	677,539	37

MASSACHUSETTS (79%)

■ Edward Kennedy* (D)	1,509,460	72%
Jack Robinson (R)	273,486	13
Carla Howell (L)	251,276	12
Dale Friedgen (I)	11,214	1
Philip Hyde (O)	6,173	0
Philip Lawler (O)	35,302	2

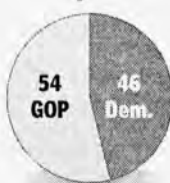
MICHIGAN (57%)

Debbie Stabenow (D)	1,121,429	48%
Spencer Abraham* (R)	1,192,702	51
Matthew Abel (O)	14,778	1
Michael Corliss (L)	10,894	0
Mark Forton (RP)	10,454	0
John Mangopoulos (O)	5,655	0
William Quarton (O)	1,962	0

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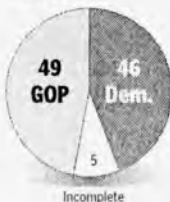
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106th Congress



New Senate

107th Congress



ACROSS THE NATION

■ Won by Democrat

□ Won by Republican

□ Incomplete results

States in white have no Senate election this year.

Not up for election: 35 Republicans, 31 Democrats



MINNESOTA (60%)

■ Mark Dayton (D)	795,594	49%
Rod Grams* (R)	681,278	42
Jim Gibson (O)	102,101	6
David Daniels (O)	14,321	1
Rebecca Ellis (O)	8,634	1
Erik Pakieser (L)	5,002	0
David Swan (O)	5,703	0

MISSISSIPPI (93%)

Troy Brown (D)	279,804	32%
■ Trent Lott* (R)	584,467	66
Jim Giles (I)	8,552	1
Lewis Napper (L)	7,319	1
Shawn O'Hara (RP)	6,468	1

MISSOURI (73%)

Mel Carnahan (D)	852,288	49%
John Ashcroft* (R)	852,833	49
Charles Dockins (O)	1,430	0
Hugh Foley (RP)	3,018	0
Grant Stauffer (L)	7,513	0
Evaline Taylor (O)	7,446	0

MONTANA (43%)

Brian Schweitzer (D)	97,988	49%
Conrad Burns* (R)	97,250	49
Gary Lee (RP)	4,674	2

NEBRASKA (73%)

Ben Nelson (D)	248,568	50%
Don Stenberg (R)	247,712	50

NEVADA (71%)

Ed Bernstein (D)	203,975	40%
■ John Ensign (R)	279,427	55
None of the Above (O)	9,531	2
Ernie Berghof (O)	2,037	0
Bill Grutzmacher (O)	1,278	0
J.J. Johnson (L)	4,407	1
Kathryn Rusco (O)	8,286	2

NEW JERSEY (95%)

■ Jon Corzine (D)	1,389,030	50%
Bob Franks (R)	1,309,270	47
Bruce Afran (O)	29,406	1
Dennis Breen (I)	5,613	0
J.M. Carter (I)	5,077	0
Pat DiNizio (RP)	17,679	1
Emerson Ellett (L)	6,562	0
George Gostigian (I)	2,645	0
Lorraine LaNeve (I)	3,345	0
Gregory Pason (O)	3,175	0
Nancy Rosenstock (O)	3,117	0

NEW MEXICO (92%)

■ Jeff Bingaman* (D)	273,028	63%
Bill Redmond (R)	161,301	37
Orlin Cole (O)	71	0

NEW YORK (97%)

■ Hillary Rodham Clinton (D)	3,356,303	55%
Rick Lazio (R)	2,630,410	43
John Adefope (O)	20,715	0
John Clifton (L)	4,891	0
Mark Dunau (O)	37,017	1
Jeffrey Graham (O)	41,596	1
Jacob Perasso (O)	4,067	0
Louis Wein (O)	4,849	0

NORTH DAKOTA (76%)

■ Kent Conrad* (D)	115,533	62%
Duane Sand (R)	70,643	38

OHIO (97%)

Ted Celeste (D)	1,485,893	36%
■ Mike DeWine* (R)	2,505,555	60
John Eastman (O)	67,889	2
John McAlister (L)	110,580	3

PENNSYLVANIA (95%)

Ron Klink (D)	2,020,448	46%
■ Rick Santorum* (R)	2,260,515	52
Robert Domske (RP)	22,189	1
John Featherman (L)	42,993	1
Lester Searer (O)	27,308	1

RHODE ISLAND (100%)

Robert Weygand (D)	164,634	41%
■ Lincoln Chafee* (R)	225,887	57
Kenneth Proulx (I)	3,745	1
Christopher Young (RP)	4,318	1

TENNESSEE (97%)

Jeff Clark (D)	581,815	32%
■ Bill Frist* (R)	1,165,544	65
Tom Burrell (O)	23,576	1
Charles Johnson (I)	9,353	1
Joel Kinstle (I)	2,928	0
David Ownby (I)	4,231	0
Robert Watson (I)	7,922	0

TEXAS (82%)

Gene Kelly (D)	1,713,944	32%
■ Kay Bailey Hutchison* (R)	3,501,610	65
Mary Ruwart (L)	60,544	1
Douglas Sandage (O)	76,559	1

UTAH (22%)

Scott Howell (D)	32,081	25%
■ Orrin Hatch* (R)	91,186	72
Carlton Bowen (O)	1,946	2
Jim Dexter (L)	1,648	1

VERMONT (89%)

Ed Flanagan (D)	64,371	26%
■ James Jeffords* (R)	166,454	66
Rick Hubbard (I)	5,027	2
Hugh Douglas (L)	2,894	1
Billy Greer (O)	3,813	2
Jerry Levy (O)	1,154	0
Charles Russell (O)	7,539	3

VIRGINIA (99%)

Charles Robb* (D)	1,251,671	48%
■ George Allen (R)	1,376,372	52

WASHINGTON (21%)

Maria Cantwell (D)	401,866	47%
Slade Gorton* (R)	424,437	50
Jeff Jared (L)	20,961	2

WEST VIRGINIA (85%)

■ Robert Byrd* (D)	383,829	78%
David Gallaher (R)	95,703	19
Joe Whelan (L)	14,442	3

WISCONSIN (73%)

■ Herb Kohl* (D)	1,192,938	62%
John Gillespie (R)	720,232	37
Eugene Hem (I)	7,074	0
Tim Peterson (L)	15,669	1
Robert Raymond (O)	3,198	0

WYOMING (91%)

Mel Logan (D)	44,114	23%
■ Craig Thomas* (R)	141,470	73
Margaret Dawson (L)	8,347	4

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BY MIKE SEGAR—REUTERS

Hillary Clinton appears onstage with husband Bill and daughter Chelsea at her victory party in New York City.

Hillary Clinton, on Her Terms

NEW YORK, From C1

coming the first sitting first lady to move from the White House, declare a candidacy in her own right, run and win. Her many detractors must now feel crushed.

Her supporters mobbed the Grand Hyatt Hotel by the thousands, jamming 42nd Street and lining up 10 deep like concertgoers trying to get closer to this new magnet of power. Hillary, her husband and daughter Chelsea, along with her mother and brothers, nestled on an upper floor of a hotel that brought the old White House crowd—Harold Ickes, Mandy Grunwald, Ann Lewis, Maggie Williams, David Kendall—together with the throng of New Yorkers, who, after all, made the night possible.

They jammed every corridor, every stairwell, every escalator and elevator, and when CNN at 9 p.m. projected Hillary the winner of the nation's most-watched Senate race, the building at the heart of Manhattan—Hillary's town now—seemed to rock with cheers.

Who knew? It wasn't always clear she could do it, could step outside her husband's orbit and forge a political character of her own, to morph from first lady to anguished wronged wife, to political candidate, to new New Yorker. It seemed a process, sometimes, with little control: like the odd move from the White House without the president, who then suddenly showed up.

For months, those who cared to watch her couldn't help but wonder just who, just what, this Hillary phenomenon was. It seemed, too, that she was asking and answering that same question. The oddly named "listening tour" when it all began last July gave her a chance to get her sea legs as much as it gave New Yorkers a chance to get to know her better.

Such is political life. And now, in New York, even the Democratic ranks of the nation at large, the story has been rewritten.

Rep. Nita Lowey, the well-loved New York member of Congress who put aside her own senatorial ambitions to make way for Hillary's run, roamed a corridor tonight looking for a way into the ballroom. She seemed from a bygone era. An aide implored the Secret Service, "This is Rep. Nita Lowey. Isn't there a way up?" Alas, she was on her own.

Fire marshals eventually closed the ballroom, leaving forlorn crowds in the hallways, unable to catch a look at this phenomenal political couple with the razor-sharp political skills that served both so well. Her race did not start that way, though, for she never seemed clear on who she was or what she would be as a candidate.

"When she started off, she was a little bit mushy," says Gloria Feldt, president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America. "She was not as direct and clear.

She hadn't started defining herself."

But taking a page from the playbook of the man whose campaigns she had helped shape, she got eye-to-eye with the people, at least enough to impress them as sincere.

"When I saw her working the rope I could see she had really become good at connecting with people," Feldt says.

The race was, alas, never really about Rudy Giuliani, the Republican New York City mayor whose entry into the race made it a roughly even match of titanic characters and whose exit from the race opened it up to a relative backbencher, Rep. Rick Lazio. And the race was never about him either.

Always, it was about Hillary—Saint Hillary, to some, "Hell to Pay" Hillary to others. A referendum is what it was, on her character. Her opponent raised money with just five words: "I'm running against Hillary Clinton."

Since she entered the White House eight years ago and took on a more substantive role than most first ladies before her, she's been a Rorschach test for America on women, on politics, on marital infidelity and faith and on morality. Lots of people saw lots of troubling things when they looked at her. And even tonight, even among some who voted for her, that old ambivalence was alive and well.

"She elicits a lot of strong feelings," says June Bretler, a Manhattan lawyer, who voted for Hillary, even volunteered to put up posters for the campaign. "You always felt, from all the controversy about them and their investments and all their other dealings, you always felt she was more involved."

So Hillary ran. Not just against an opponent, but against herself—or at least the image of herself that others held. She went to Buffalo 26 times, for crying out loud. And she did it convincingly, apparently, with her earnest smiles, her sleek black suits and pastel blouses, her dizzying command of facts that made her sound, always, as though she lived and breathed New York's concerns.

"This race was about her, but as corny as it sounds, she listened to people and came back with answers," says Matthew Hiltzig, a campaign aide.

She even managed to swing the terribly skeptical Hasidic Jews to her side, despite her famous waffling on a Palestinian state and her infamous kiss of Suha Arafat. Tonight, in the sea of drinking, glad-handing Democrats stood a clutch of long-sideburned and black-hatted Hasidim, the fruits of her long labor won.

But now, if the victory projected tonight sticks, the hard part begins. As Feldt put it, there is something quite different between "being one of 100 senators as opposed to one first lady."

The difference? "You can't just set the agenda."

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Hillary Clinton Accelerates Into Her Own Orbit

By LYNNE DUKE
Washington Post Staff Writer

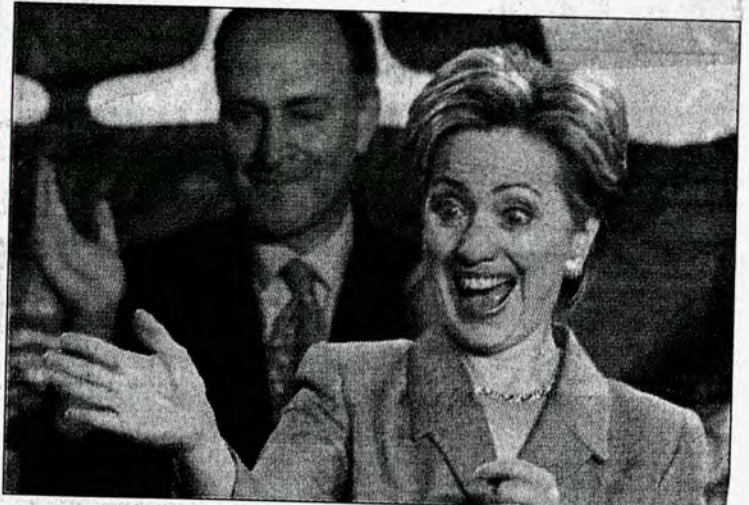
NEW YORK, Nov. 7
Finally, it's for her. The columns of red, white and blue balloons, the raucous jubilation, the standing-room-only crowds in a crush of political adrenaline. From the lobby, from the bar, from the ballroom, they chanted, "Hil-la-ry! Hil-la-ry! Hil-la-ry!"

She's not in the shadows anymore. She's no longer the supporting character. For 16 months of cir-

cling the state, hitting its outposts and hinterlands, she tilted against a hail of harrumphing, even hateful naysayers who criticized her seemingly outsize political appetite and the sheer folly of her effort to secure political personhood in her own right. Not as first lady, not even as Hillary Rodham Clinton: That was the past.

Tonight, she is Hillary—a phenomenon, like a fierce hurricane, blowing down traditions and be-

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BY MIKE SEGAR—REUTERS

Sen. Chuck Schumer joins the first lady in celebrating her historic Senate victory in New York, which gives her a new role in the political world.

Senate

Democrats' Wins Trim GOP Majority

*First Lady Takes N.Y. Seat
In High-Profile, Historic Race*

By HELEN DEWAR and ERIC PIANIN
Washington Post Staff Writers

Triumphing in several key races, Democrats yesterday appeared likely to cut into the Republican majority in the Senate but fall short of wresting control of the chamber from the GOP.

Democrats picked up seats in Delaware and Minnesota and were headed toward victory in Florida, but they lost seats in Virginia and Nevada. Needing a net gain of five seats to win control of the Senate, Democrats had to win all the remaining close races to reach that goal, but were trailing in some of those contests.

In New York, home to the highest-profile and most expensive Senate battle of the campaign, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton defeated Republican Rep. Rick Lazio to succeed retiring Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D).

Senate Minority Leader Thomas A. Daschle (D-S.D.) said last night that, with a diminished majority, GOP leaders will be forced to consider working more closely with Democrats after a year of legislative gridlock. The two parties have been deadlocked over important issues including a prescription drug benefit, a patients' bill of rights and campaign finance reform, and both sides had hoped for a decisive election victory to strengthen their hand.

Instead, there is likely to be a smaller GOP majority—which could lead to more deadlock or force the two sides to cooperate.

"I think when you've got a Senate representation this close you really have a balance of power and a balance in the ability of either party to move an agenda," Daschle said. "I think it will require the Republicans to work more closely with us."

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Sen.-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton celebrates her victory at a rally in New York City. Outgoing Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan is at left.

BY RON EDMONDS—ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Wife Steps Out of a Shadow

Victorious Clinton to Enter Senate as Her Own Woman

By MICHAEL GRUNWALD
Washington Post Staff Writer

NEW YORK, Nov. 7—Hillary Rodham Clinton catapulted out of her husband's long presidential shadow today, overcoming widespread misgivings about her carpetbagger candidacy and her polarizing personality to earn a historic victory in her New York Senate race.

The first lady's long, strange trip to join the GOP-controlled institution that acquitted her impeached husband ended tonight in a raucous Manhattan

ballroom. Republicans had yearned for the boyish Rep. Rick Lazio (R-N.Y.) to drive the first family out of Washington, to end the Clinton era once and for all, but the first lady will now be one of the city's most prominent Democrats, with her mysterious personal saga continuing on the national stage.

The president, meanwhile, will become the unlikely member of the Senate spouses club. He was beaming at his wife's side tonight, along with retiring Democratic Sen. Dan-

iel Patrick Moynihan, who once called the first lady's health-care plan "a fantasy" but now compares her to Eleanor Roosevelt. If there is really a "vast right-wing conspiracy," as she once theorized on national television, it could not be very happy with its work here tonight.

No other first lady had ever run for office in any state, much less a newly adopted state, but Clinton—who grew up in Illinois, went to school in

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First Lady to Be Senator From New York

NEW YORK, From A1

Massachusetts and Connecticut, then practiced law in Arkansas before moving to the White House—wisely relocated to a Democratic state that had supported her husband twice. Now, after standing by his side during his races for attorney general, governor and president—and after his humiliating affair with a White House intern—the first lady has finally established her own electoral identity. With his help, to be sure, and the help of his vice president, and the help of his top advisers, but she will, nevertheless, enter the Senate as her own woman, perhaps the most famous one in America.

She did mention her husband in her thank-you speech tonight—once. She also mentioned her brothers once. She mentioned former mayor Edward I. Koch once, too. She didn't mention Vice President Gore at all. "I promise you tonight that I will reach across party lines to bring progress to all New Yorkers," she said.

The intense emotions inspired by the first lady made this the most expensive Senate race in history, with half of an estimated \$100 million raised out of state. It was probably also the highest-profile Senate race ever, attracting camera crews from Turkey, Denmark and Japan. And her dual status as candidate and first lady made this one of the weirdest Senate races ever; at times, she even criticized her husband's Middle East policies on the stump.

At her victory party tonight, the first lady's friends admitted they could not quite fathom the events of the last few years ending up this way. "Weird doesn't begin to describe this," said Clinton family attorney David E. Kendall, who first informed the first lady two years ago that the president had admitted his affair with Monica Lewinsky.

The president did not speak at



BY MIKE SEGAR—REUTERS

New York Sen.-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton raises arms with her daughter, Chelsea, and President Clinton at a victory celebration in New York City.



thority about the expansion plans for Route 17 and the contamination of Lake Onandaga as well as the need for prescription drug coverage and the booming national economy.

This May, after his marriage publicly imploded and he was diagnosed with prostate cancer, Giuliani quit the race. Lazio took his place, but the first lady already had a 10-month head start. Today, Libby Pataki, the wife of Gov. George E. Pataki (R-N.Y.), a longtime Giuliani rival, blasted the mayor for "jerking people around" by taking so long to drop out. The governor's wife later analogized. Jeffrev

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The president did not speak at the party but did talk to reporters after his wife's speech. "I'm so proud of her," he said, "I'm so happy and so grateful I don't know what else to say."

For 16 months, the first lady made the surreal seem almost routine through sheer repetition, running a relentlessly disciplined campaign on carefully chosen themes. She embraced her husband's legacy of more jobs and less crime while distancing herself from his decisions that proved unpopular in New York, on topics ranging from dairy policy to Medicaid to Israel. She refused to discuss impeachment or Whitewater or cattle futures—until reporters stopped asking about them. She even avoided the topic of her health-care fiasco, except to say she learned lessons from its failure.

At times, the first lady seemed to run as a New Democrat, supporting the death penalty and emphasizing debt reduction, but mostly she ran as a Clinton Democrat, promising to uphold her husband's economic legacy while attacking Lazio's proposals for deep tax cuts. She also aligned herself with her behind-the-scenes rival for White House influence, Gore, whose presidential campaign was always a lock to win New York. And she



BY JEFF CHRISTENSEN—REUTERS

Rep. Rick Lazio, with his wife, Patricia, left, and New York Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, concedes the Senate race.

campaigns with his running mate, Joseph I. Lieberman, who is wildly popular among the state's Jewish voters.

Lazio, by contrast, fell flat on his face at a parade during his first weekend in the race; in an act of metaphorical symmetry, he reportedly stepped in dog droppings this morning at a Syracuse polling place. In between those pratfalls, he tried to argue that the first lady is an untrustworthy big-government liberal, that she's using New York to further her ambitions, that she's no friend of Israel. But he does not seem to have persuaded much of the New York electorate beyond the 40 percent or so that has always held those beliefs.

Tonight, the four-term congressman told his supporters that he had called the first lady to congratulate her. They booed, but he quickly

shushed them. The Senate race, he said, had turned out the same way as the Subway Series: His team came in second. "I feel like the Mets," he said. The first lady, of course, has declared herself a Yankees fan.

From the start, this was an odd race. It was essentially born on Feb. 12, 1999—the same day the Senate voted to acquit the president of lying under oath about his affair with an intern—during a long White House meeting between the first lady and adviser Harold Ickes. Sen. Robert G. Torricelli (D-N.J.) then floated the concept publicly on NBC's "Meet the Press," and Rep. Nita M. Lowey (D-N.Y.) agreed to drop her prospective candidacy to make way for the first lady. After a few months of traveling around New York and dropping hints, Clinton announced her bid amid a me-

dia mob scene at Moynihan's upstate farm in July.

She then launched a statewide "listening tour," and began trying to distract attention from the strangeness of her celebrity-carpetbagger status. But her leading Republican opponent at the time, feisty New York Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, ribbed her constantly; He even took a fundraising trip to Arkansas, joking that he might run for Senate there.

After a few rookie campaign mistakes, the first lady got on message, talking incessantly (though not very revealingly) about substantive issues like education, health care, the environment and the upstate economy. She campaigned in all 62 New York counties, and she largely succeeded in distracting attention from the strangeness of her campaign. She learned to talk with au-

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In Senate Wins, Democrats Trim GOP's Majority

SENATE, From A1

Delaware voters delivered an early blow to the Republican hold on the Senate, propelling Gov. Thomas R. Carper (D) to victory over Finance Committee Chairman William V. Roth Jr. (R-Del.) and ending Roth's 30-year career in the Senate.

Democrats made another gain in Florida where, with most of the vote counted, state insurance commissioner Bill Nelson (D) was narrowly defeating Rep. Bill McCollum (R-Fla.), one of the House prosecutors in President Clinton's impeachment trial last year, in their fierce battle to fill the seat left open by the retirement of Sen. Connie Mack (R-Fla.).

In another setback for the GOP, Democrat Mark Dayton, a former state auditor and department store heir, was leading Minnesota Sen. Rod Grams (R) with nearly half the returns in. Grams had been hobbled by a rash of family and campaign embarrassments and controversy over his proposal to privatize Social Security.

But in Virginia, former Gov. George Allen (R) thwarted Sen. Charles S. Robb's (D-Va.) bid for a third six-year term. Robb, who was lambasted by Allen as a do-nothing senator, was the Democrats' only seriously vulnerable incumbent.

And, in Nevada, early returns showed former Rep. John Ensign (R) defeating trial lawyer Ed Bernstein to succeed retiring Sen. Richard H. Bryan (D).

Democrats held their ground in New Jersey, where Wall Street multimillionaire Jon S. Corzine, who spent nearly \$60 million of his own fortune on his race, was running ahead of Republican Rep. Bob Franks for the seat of retiring Sen. Frank R. Lautenberg (D).

In early returns, Sen. Spencer Abraham (R-Mich.) was running ahead of Rep. Deborah Ann Stabenow (D) in Michigan, and Sen. John Ashcroft (R-Mo.) led the late Gov. Mel Carnahan (D), whose name remained on the ballot three weeks after his death in a plane crash. Democrats pushed for a big vote for Carnahan, whose widow, Jean, said she would accept appointment to his seat if Carnahan won.

the Senate even as he campaigned for the vice presidency, was headed for a victory that would allow him to retain his Senate seat. Lieberman would have to relinquish the seat, most likely to a Republican, if he wins national office.

Sen. Zell Miller (D-Ga.), appointed last summer to replace the late Sen. Paul Coverdell (R-Ga.), was easily defeating former GOP senator Mack Mattingly with more than half the vote counted in a seven-way race to serve out the remaining four years of Coverdell's term. He was winning by a margin exceeding the 50 percent he needed to avoid a runoff later in the month, according to projections.

Also winning handily were Sen. Rick Santorum (R-Pa.), once a prime target of the Democrats, and Sens. Olympia J. Snowe (R-Maine), Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-Tex.), Paul Sarbanes (D-Md.), Jon Kyl (R-Ariz.), Mike DeWine (R-Ohio), Bill Frist (R-Tenn.), Jeff Bingaman (D-N.M.), Herb Kohl (D-Wis.), Orrin G. Hatch (R-Utah), Lincoln Chafee (R-R.I.), Kent Conrad (D-N.D.) and Craig Thomas (R-Wyo.). Sen. Robert C. Byrd (D-W.Va.) won his eighth term.

In the most expensive and closely watched Senate race, Clinton campaigned relentlessly throughout her adopted state for 16 months, drawing many New Yorkers to her celebrity candidacy with promises of prescription drugs for seniors and a stinging rebuke of Lazio as a clone of former House Speaker Newt Gingrich. Unlike Vice President Gore, she enthusiastically embraced her husband's legacy, touting the administration's record of creating jobs, cutting crime and increasing homeownership.

The 79-year-old Roth was regarded as one of the most vulnerable Senate GOP incumbents, and polls showed the race to be a dead heat until the end.

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Early returns in Montana also showed rancher Brian Schweitzer (D) leading Sen. Conrad Burns (R). Former governor Ben Nelson (D) was running ahead of state attorney general Don Stenberg (R) in Nebraska. In Washington state, Sen. Slade Gorton (R) was locked in a dead-even race with high-tech executive Maria Cantwell (D).

Based on early trends, the Democrats were on track to make a net gain in Senate seats for the first time in a decade. But if Republicans retained control, it would also mark the first time in nearly 70 years that they kept their majority for eight years.

Amid high suspense in as many as a dozen races, some of the earliest returns offered no surprises.

Majority Leader Trent Lott (R-Miss.) easily won reelection, as did many other prominent incumbents, including Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.), Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Richard G. Lugar (R-Ind.) and Sen. James M. Jeffords (R-Vt.), chairman of the committee that oversees health, education and labor programs.

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With one-third of the Senate's 100 seats up for election every two years, 34 seats were at stake in yesterday's elections. Of those, 19 are held by Republicans, 15 by Democrats.

Republicans went into the election controlling the Senate by a 54-46 margin, but they were defending more seats than the Democrats. As many as 10 races were considered virtual toss-ups as Election Day approached. Democrats had to win almost all of closest contests to secure a majority.

While there was no dominant theme this year—like the 1994 campaign's "throw-the-bums-out" mantra—the leading issues were the same almost everywhere and they closely paralleled those of the presidential campaign.

Republicans and Democrats campaigned on themes traditionally associated with Democratic candidates, supporting education and vowing to protect Social Security and Medicare as each party tried to convince voters that it had the

better solution.

Nearly every candidate supported some form of prescription drug benefit for Medicare recipients and a "patients' bill of rights" for people in managed care plans. But they usually differed on critical details, such as a patient's right to sue an HMO, which was favored by most Democrats and opposed by most Republicans.



BY FRANK JOHNSTON—THE WASHINGTON POST

Defeated Sen. Charles S. Robb is kissed by Linda Bird Johnson as Lady Bird Johnson watches.

NEW YORK

GORE

From first lady of the nation to junior senator of a state she adopted only last year: Hillary Rodham Clinton etched a historic arc in New York on Tuesday, with a campaign that began almost as a lark and ended with a lame-duck president standing behind his wife, the senator-elect.

Mrs. Clinton's opponent, Representative Rick A. Lazio, was never able to match her celebrity, and, critics said, her stature. Surveys of voters leaving the polls suggested that Mr. Lazio had been hurt by a phone campaign on his behalf linking Mrs. Clinton to terrorism.

Hovering over his campaign, as well, was a "what-if": what if the man he replaced, Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, had stayed in the race. Mr. Giuliani dropped out of the Senate race after doctors told him he had prostate cancer.

And in a double sting for Mr. Lazio, the Long Island seat he had given up went to a Democrat, Steven Israel. Mr. Israel, the majority leader of the Huntington Town Board, defeated Joan B. Johnson, the Islip town clerk, in New York's Second District. Had Ms. Johnson been elected, she would have become the first black Republican woman to serve in Congress.

But Republicans also gained a House seat on Long Island when Felix J. Grucci Jr., the Republican supervisor of Brookhaven, won in the First District. He defeated Regina Seltzer, an environmental lawyer, who in turn had defeated the incumbent, Michael P. Forbes, by 35 votes. Mr. Forbes switched from the Republican Party last year.

Congressional incumbents fared well across the rest of the state.

Republicans retained control of the State Senate.

Vice President Al Gore, not surprisingly, captured the state's 33 electoral votes.

And voters rejected what would have been the largest bond issue in state history — \$3.8 billion to finance improvements in mass transit and highways and bridges.

PRESIDENT	Gore.....	3,738,752	60%
99% reporting	Bush.....	2,213,841	35%
	Nader.....	222,188	4%
SENATE	Clinton.....	3,410,511	55%
99% reporting	Lazio.....	2,669,374	43%

New York

Hillary Rodham Clinton

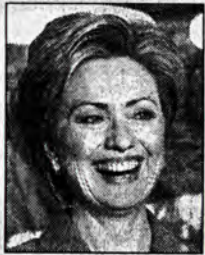
First lady makes history with win

Get used to a familiar name with a new twist: Sen. Clinton.

After more than 20 years of helping her husband in his elections, Hillary Rodham Clinton on Tuesday became the first presidential spouse to win one for herself.

For Clinton, 53, the historic victory comes as a vindication: Now, she's a member of the exclusive club that rejected her health care plan in 1993 and made her husband the defendant in the nation's second presidential impeachment trial.

Her new job puts Clinton back in the kind of leadership role that was familiar to her before her marriage. As a Wellesley College senior, she made headlines with a



AP

Clinton: Focus on children's issues.

commencement speech defending 1960s student activism. Fresh out of law school in 1974, at the height of the Watergate crisis, she was a researcher for the House committee that brought impeachment charges against President Nixon.

She moved to Arkansas to follow her law-school boyfriend. When Bill Clinton became governor of his home state, his wife embarked on a career as an activist first lady, making education reform her pet project. She also was the family breadwinner, supplementing the Arkansas chief executive's modest salary with her more substantial earnings as a partner in Little Rock's most prestigious law firm.

Clinton's legal work got her into hot water after her husband was elected president, becoming a centerpiece in the Whitewater investigation. She testified before a grand jury, something no first lady had done. After a six-year investigation, independent counsel Robert Ray concluded this year that there were no grounds to prosecute her.

At the White House, Clinton also penned a best-selling book, *It Takes a Village*, and traveled the globe, making her the most well-traveled first lady in history.

In the Senate, Clinton can be expected to champion children's issues — an interest of hers since she was a student at Yale Law School — and health care reform.

By Kathy Kiely

Clinton has to keep on running

Dual roles create a hectic schedule

By Kathy Kiely
USA TODAY

NEW YORK — A day after New Yorkers elected her to the Senate by a surprisingly wide margin, Hillary Rodham Clinton chatted on the phone with soon-to-be colleagues, held forth at a packed news conference, greeted her new constituents at Grand Central Station and began contemplating a lifestyle worthy of the most frenzied Manhattanite.

Her historic victory Tuesday has guaranteed a mind-bogglingly complicated schedule for Clinton, who, during a two-week period in January, will be serving as both the nation's first lady and New York's junior senator. A few entries from her datebook:

► Tonight, New York's senator-elect and President Clinton will host a splashy dinner to honor the 200th anniversary of the White House. Expected guests include three former presidents, including one, George Bush, whose son may turn out to be nation's next president.

► Friday, the first lady returns to New York for a victory lap around the state so she can thank the voters who just elected her.

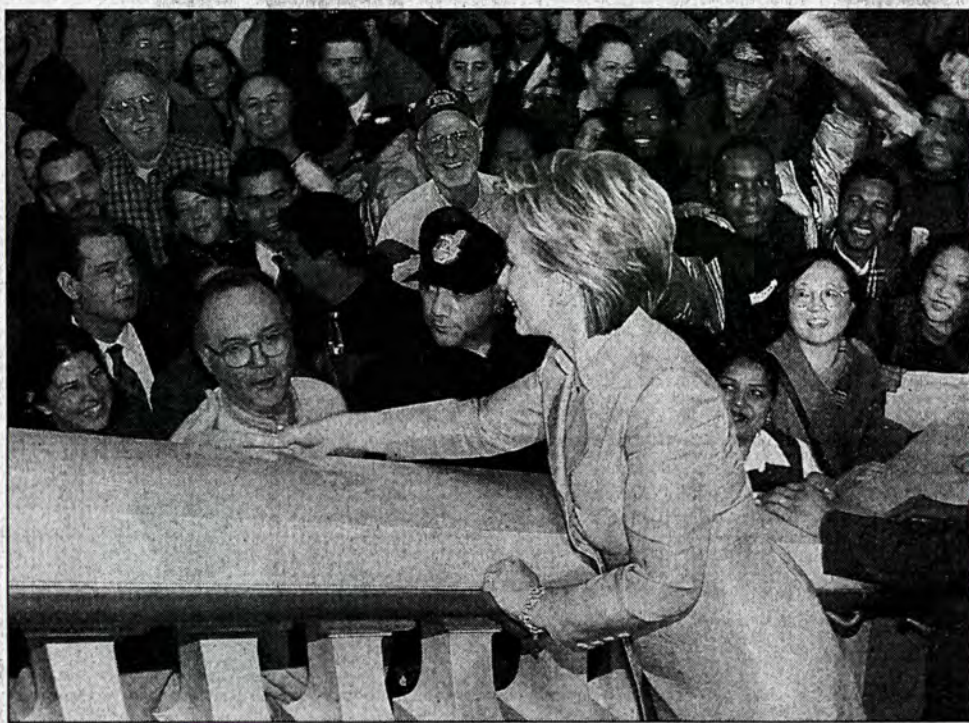
► Sometime next week, she's off to Vietnam, where she'll join her husband for her last overseas trip as first lady.

► In late November, Clinton will begin promoting a new book. *An Invitation to the White House: At Home with History* is an anecdote-filled essay about her years at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. and the ways the Clintons used their home to showcase American culture.

► On Dec. 6 and 7, Clinton is expected at the U.S. Capitol for Senate freshman orientation.

Oh, and somewhere in the midst of all that, she might want to begin looking for new digs in D.C., because the lease on her current home will run out shortly after she begins her new job. She'd better start looking soon, says Cathie Gill, a Washington real estate agent who caters to high-profile pols. "It's a very tight market."

After a nearly sleepless night during which she spoke with Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore at about 5 a.m., Clinton looked radiant as she fielded questions at a news confer-



By Mike Segar, Reuters

"I feel very good": Sen.-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton thanks supporters Wednesday at Grand Central Station in Manhattan. Clinton beat Rep. Rick Lazio, 55% to 43%, in their Senate race.

ence that, it is probably safe to say, was unlike any ever faced by a first-term senator.

More than 100 journalists and 28 television cameras crowded the room. One of the chief questions: How would she keep her celebrity from creating resentment in the clubby Senate?

"It's like any new job," she said. "You've got to find your footing, to work hard to learn the ropes and the rules and to build relationships." And even though some of her new colleagues voted to remove her husband from office in the president's impeachment trial in 1999, Clinton insisted that "I feel very good" about her prospects of working across partisan lines.

Among the senators who called to congratulate her, she said, was conservative Republican Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, a sometime ally of the first lady's on children's issues. Her one-time opponent in the Senate race, New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani, also called, and Clinton said the two had a friendly talk about how they can work together for the state.

Congressional scholar Norman Ornstein pre-

dicted that Clinton's new colleagues will roll out the welcome wagon for her. "It's a small chamber," he said. "The recognize they have to live together."

Clinton is already crafting her first bill, an economic development package for New York's depressed communities. She plans to focus on the same issues she pushed as first lady: education, health care and the environment.

Clinton said she is "gratified" by her unexpected 12-point margin of victory over Republican Rep. Rick Lazio of Long Island. Local political experts attributed it to a huge turnout in New York's minority communities and to the first lady's assiduous courting of traditionally Republican areas north of New York City. She was also helped by New York's labor unions, which put thousands of members on the streets Election Day to help get out the vote.

"She did much better Upstate than most Democrats, and she ran exceptionally well in the city," Rep. Peter King, R-N.Y., said. "She put it all together. It was a 16-month full-court press."

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HOW HILL SURVIVED HELL

Forget "The War Room," Hillary Rodham Clinton's successful Senate campaign was more like a rerun of "The Bickersons."

The first lady's top aides — speaking to The Post on condition of anonymity — yesterday revealed how they overcame major crises during their grueling, 16-month campaign.

DECIDING TO RUN

Media guru Mandy Grunwald and Democratic fixer Harold Ickes considered themselves friends of Hillary — that's why they both urged her not to run for the Senate.

"It was thought that she would hate being dissected by the New York media, that it would hurt her more than she could physi-

By ROBERT HARDT Jr.

cally and mentally bear," said one Clinton insider.

Pollster Mark Penn determined early on that a Clinton candidacy was viable, but few of her friends thought she would run because of the intense scrutiny she would face and the

Her camp battled through minefields

potential fallout from the impeachment trial of her husband.

"She really shocked all of us and I thought it was a naive decision," said another friend.

Another key move was hiring Howard Wolfson, a veteran of Chuck Schum-

mer's campaign who was highly respected by New York reporters.

THE FALN

Clinton's first major mistake occurred in the summer of 1999, when she flip-flopped on the president's offer of clemency to 16 Puerto Rican nationalists.

The small Clinton campaign team knew nothing

about the FALN when clemency suddenly became a hot issue with the New York media.

"We thought they were the guys who were trying to assassinate Truman," said one top aide.

"We had no idea how to respond to this and we didn't know if it was proper to actually break with the White House on this."

"We totally screwed it up by not contacting a single Puerto Rican leader in New York before eventually saying we were

against clemency," said another insider.

The mishandling of the FALN flap led to the hiring of Bill de Blasio, who had extensive contacts in city political circles.

SUHA ARAFAT

One of the worst moments for Clinton came in November 1999 when she made an official "first lady" trip to the Mideast — and kissed the wife of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

"I don't think anybody in the campaign wanted her to go on the trip," said one aide.

But insiders said the first lady was under intense pressure from the White House and the National Security Council to make the trip.

"This was a classic example of Hillary's two roles conflicting with each other and it damaged us with the Jewish vote," complained one aide.

"I think this made Hillary realize that she was first and foremost a candidate for office — and better make her decisions accordingly."

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"When you're in this business you can admire people — even people who are on the other side and adversaries — when they have a very, very strong work ethic, as she does," Giuliani continued, dramatically reversing course from the once-daily pounding of his one-time rival.

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Still, the mayor admitted he was still adjusting to Clinton's stunning 12-point victory over Republican Rick Lazio.

"That's why I said senator-elect," he said. "I'm working myself into Senator Clinton."

Clinton said she looked forward to working with Giuliani, who starts his eighth and final year just as she enters office.

"He and I talked about what we could do in the remainder of his term," she said. "I see this as a real opportunity."

Term limits will force Giuliani to leave City Hall on Jan. 1, 2002.

Former Mayor Ed Koch, a long-time Clinton supporter, agreed that Giuliani and Clinton will overcome their differences for the sake of the city.

Koch cautioned the mayor shouldn't look for any special favors because "he's a lame duck and she doesn't do tourniquets."

And one Democratic insider said those predicting a tense relationship between Giuliani and Clinton may be in for a surprise.

"They're going to work together much better than most people think," said the official.

Giuliani also shrugged off the stinging comments of Gov. Pataki's wife, Libby, who accused him Tuesday of not doing enough for Lazio.

Giuliani said he realized Mrs. Pataki was having a rough day.

Asked if he planned to challenge Pataki in 2002, the mayor responded: "I believe he's been a very good governor and I have no desire to do that."

Teachers gave first lady some extra help

By CARL CAMPANILE

Teachers union president Randi Weingarten is a Big Friend of Senator-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Weingarten was one of Clinton's earliest and most enthusiastic backers for Senate — and her support paid off with a smashing victory.

It was Weingarten who nudged Clinton a year ago to announce her candidacy at United Federation of Teachers headquarters.

The union's formidable political operation made 120,000 pro-Clinton phone calls to members, sent out 300,000 pieces of literature and dispatched 3,000 volunteers on election night.

Weingarten spoke regularly with the first lady on strategy throughout the campaign.



REACHING OUT: Mayor Giuliani says now that the nasty Senate campaign is over, he'll put aside his differences with Hillary Clinton and work together in efforts to help the city during his final year in office.

N.Y. Post: Michael Norcia

ANALYSIS

Indeed, when President Clinton came to the city over the summer, he invited Weingarten to travel with him in his limousine between visits to schools to discuss the race.

"I was very pleased. The union was very engaged in this race — more than most," Weingarten said yesterday.

More important, Clinton embraced the teachers union's positions on virtually all the major education issues.

Clinton — like the union — vowed to do all she can to block vouchers that would allow parents to use taxpayers dollars to attend private or parochial schools.

Republican opponent Rick Lazio supported giving vouchers to poor

parents whose children were stuck in failing schools, which the union opposed.

Voters in California and Michigan rejected vouchers on Tuesday.

Clinton — like the unions — also pushed for additional federal money to reduce class sizes and school construction to repair crumbling schools and relieve overcrowding.

It was a far cry from Clinton's days as an education reformer in Arkansas, when she outraged unions there by proposing tougher competency exams for teachers.

Of Clinton, Weingarten said, "I saw someone who cares about education, children and what teachers need."

There's no doubt the teachers union influenced Clinton's education agenda, said Maurice Carroll of the Quinnipiac College Poll, and a longtime observer of New York politics.

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While Clinton took Ickes' advice, she later regretted it — especially after her husband called the Daily News to complain about the story and caused even more of an uproar.

But virtually every Clinton aide said the "Jew bastard" charge helped the campaign because it created the media "war room" on a separate floor of Clinton headquarters.

USS COLE

One of Clinton's final exchanges with Lazio was the GOP congressman's charges that the first lady had "cavorted" with terrorists and accepted money from pro-terror groups.

The first lady's team was outraged because Clinton had just attended the funeral services of the sailors slain in the bombing of the USS Cole.

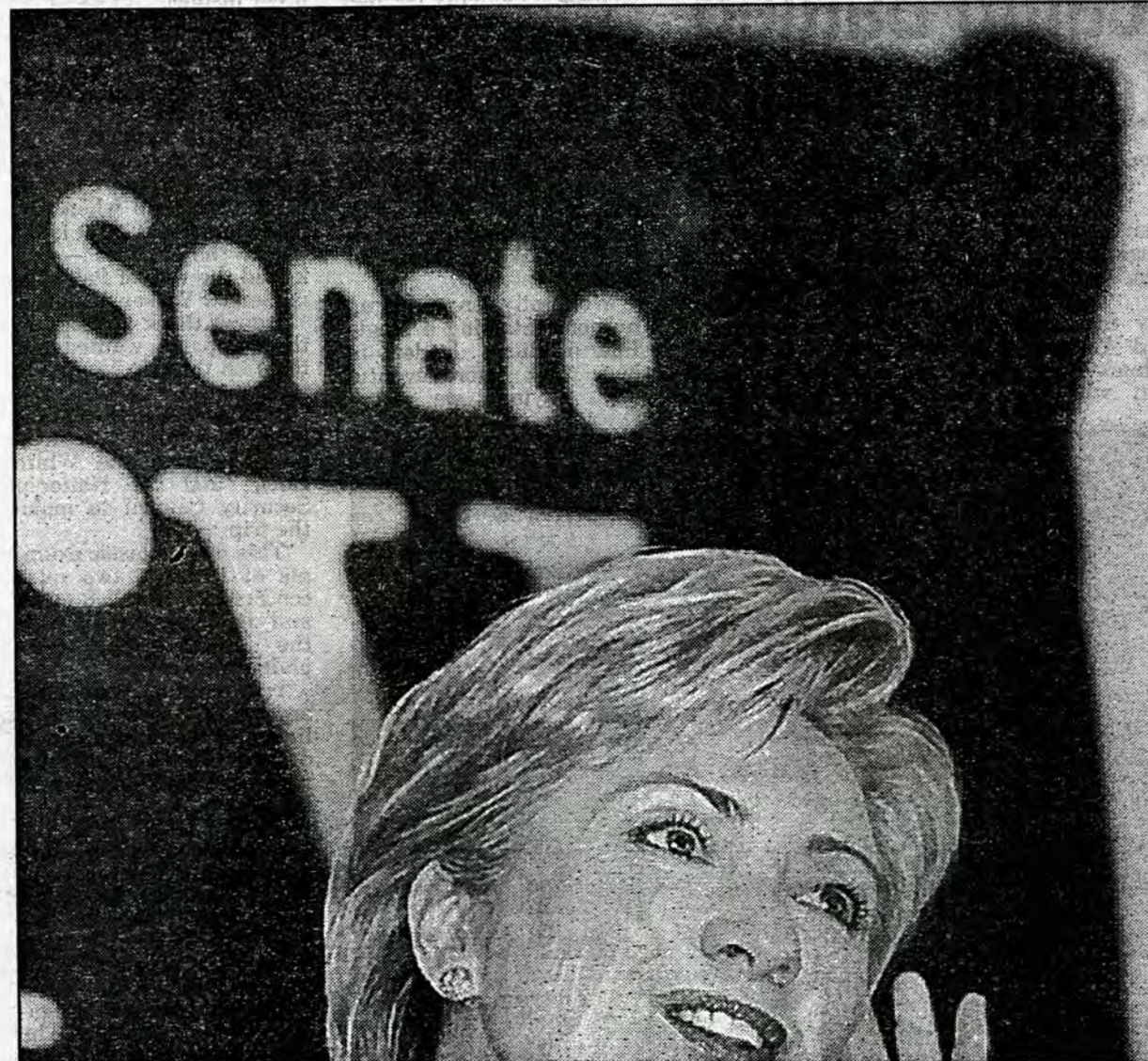
Grunwald cut a powerful commercial that showed Clinton crying at the funeral that polled through the roof with test groups.

But Wolfson objected, fearing a backlash.

Clinton sided with Wolfson and another ad was cut that showed the bombed-out hull of the Cole — but had no scenes of the funeral.

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MOVING SOON? Despite ruling out a White House run, don't bet against Sen.-elect Hillary Clinton, greeting commuters at Grand Central Terminal yesterday, taking aim at the presidency. N.Y. Post: Don Halasy

She's already eyeing a White House run

IN THE madness of monstrous political mayhem, we find ourselves more confused than a matador facing a cow.

But there is one given, more certain than anything in this season of idiocy, and it is simply this:

The precise moment Hillary Rodham Clinton won the Senate race, she launched her campaign to run for the White House.

From the summer of 1999, when this woman of reptilian resource announced her candidacy, she was asked constantly one question:

Is this a preliminary fight for the main event to become the first female president of this great country, right now under strain?

Pledge after pledge, written by reporters, recorded on the tube, the response was:

"I have no ambition for higher office. I will serve the full six years, to serve New York."

This from a woman who wouldn't serve coffee if she owned

presidential campaign. This Evitacult nonsense has no part in this country. It really should stop, along with her continual lying.

What particularly annoys me is the endless black eyes New Yorkers get. Arrogant, all-knowing, smart-ass, our detractors say.

It's all wrong.

You who voted for her were nothing of the above.

Just plain dumb — and I didn't think that before.

Look at poor Sen. Chuck Schumer, a decent man, who I opposed in support of Al D'Amato, who lost to Chuck.

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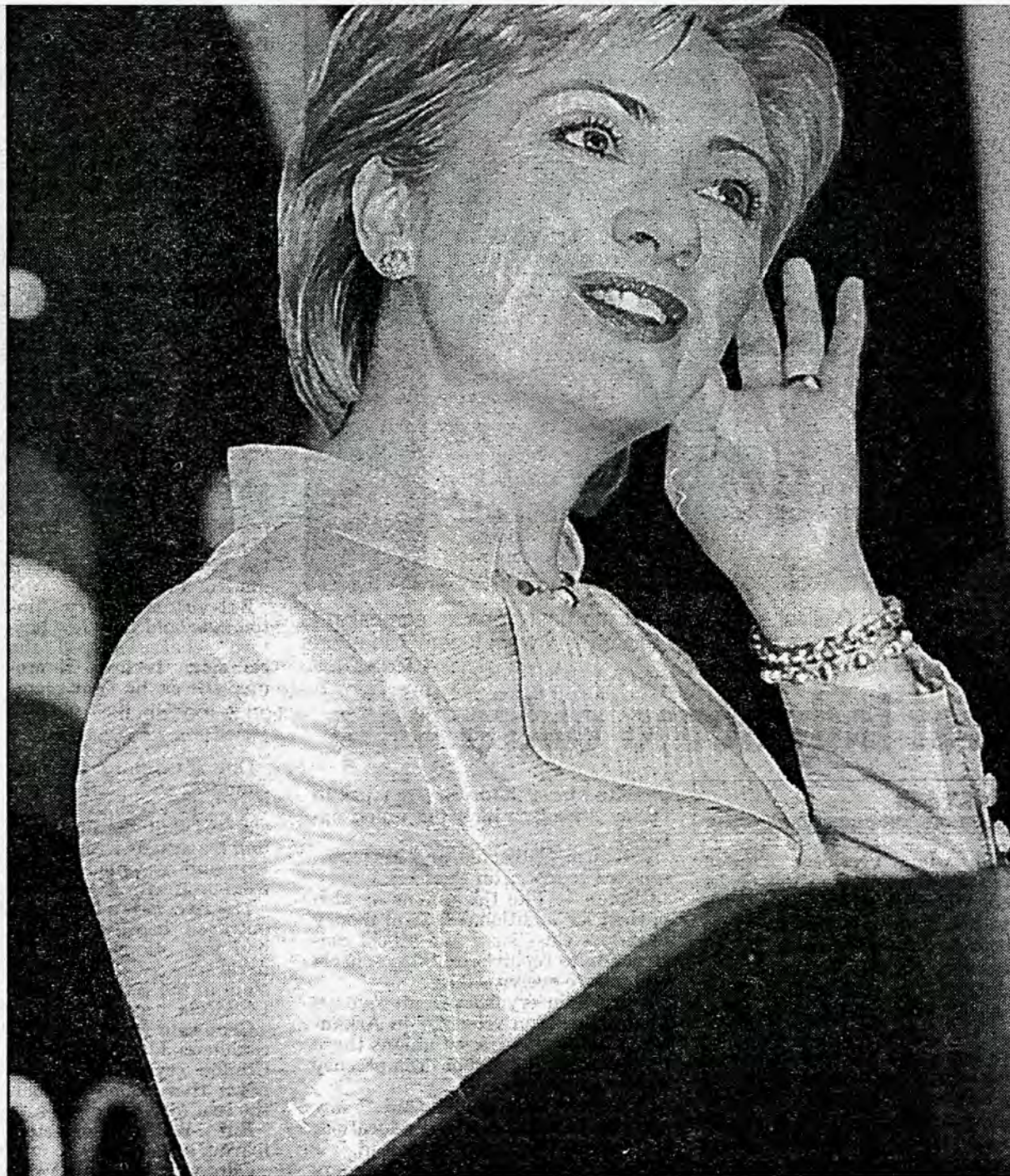
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IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL: Clinton says yesterday that she plans to complete her six-year term and does not have her eye on the White House in 2004.

N.Y. Post, David Rentas

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"As far back as 1993, there were printed signs all over her office, proclaiming 'In The White House, Hillary 1996.'"

These are the solemn words of Tom Fitton, chairman of Judicial Watch, who has tracked Hillary's careless disregard for the truth over the years, like a bloodhound.

Tom, together with general counsel Larry Klayman, represent Sheryl Hall, a computer whiz on Hillary's staff, who refused to commit what she claims was a criminal act.

Sheryl and Judicial Watch are suing Hillary Clinton for emotionally torturing her after she refused to stack a database of illegally obtained files for Hillary's campaign funding. "It was a mistake," said Hillary's spokesman Howard Wolfson.

Yeah, and I regularly shave with a butcher knife. Hillary, like her husband, committed a freakin' crime.

"There is no end to this woman's ambition, no limit to what ends she will go to attain what she wants, and of course that means the White House," said Fitton.

Bill O'Shaunessey, the media and radio guru of Westchester County, close friend of Mario Cuomo and political fund-raiser, was more lyrical.

Bill, whose radio stations are Hillary's hometown listening in Chappaqua said: "When she enters the Senate, there will be heard the strains of 'Evita,'" he said.

"Today is the first day of her

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Of course, Hillary wants George W. Bush to win the White House.

No party loyalty here, my good friends.

You see, when she runs in 2004, George will be an easier tar-

get for her venom which includes her trade mark ads that should be shown only in Creedmore.

She doesn't want to go against Al Gore. They would be espousing the same liberal clap trap. No difference. It would be two peas in the same pod.

Oh, it's not that she wouldn't take Gore on. I mean she would gut him like a squealing pig.

It's just it would be easier to go against Bush and make lies easier than going against Gore.

So she would prefer to see her husband's so-called friend just go away and fish or be a slumlord in Tennessee, to make it an easier campaign platform against Bush.

Now, for all you genius New Yorkers who put her in, count on one hand the four years before the next election. Let's see if she behaves absolutely to form and lies like a rug.

And then sing along with me: "New York, New York." You know, "If you can make it there, you can make it anywhere, it's up to you New York, New York."

What will you tell me when Hillary breaks yet another promise and runs for the presidency — with her husband doing a Jesse James on Hollywood to get campaign funds?

"Oh, we didn't know! We were taken in!" you will plead.

Answered prayers, New York?

You got what you asked for.

President Hillary Clinton? Get me a plane ticket.

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Newsmags
scrapping
specials on
the election

By KEITH J. KELLY

The deadlocked election that bedeviled network TV and daily newspapers on election night is wreaking havoc among the big news-weekly magazines.

Time and Newsweek are scrapping their early election specials, which were slated to hit newsstands today.

It appears both publications are leaning toward running just their regular Monday issues — unless something breaks today.

An added complication: Saturday is Veterans Day, which means regular postal delivery is suspended. Magazines printed Friday might be sitting in mailrooms undelivered over the weekend.

BusinessWeek, which was going to press last night with its regular issue, was forced to go with a cover that reads "What Mandate?" said editor-in-chief Stephen Sheppard.

BW covers analyzing how Al Gore or George Bush would govern were scrapped.

Neither Time nor Newsweek was moving anything to the printer last

"[We] thought we were heroes. By the time they changed their minds, our press run was done."

TERRY SHAW,
NIAGARA GAZETTE

thought we were heroes," said Terry Shaw, the managing editor.

"By the time they changed their minds, our press run was done. We were committed. We pushed it to the absolute limit. I guess we should have said 'Looks like Bush' or something."

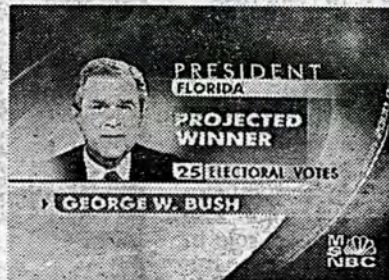
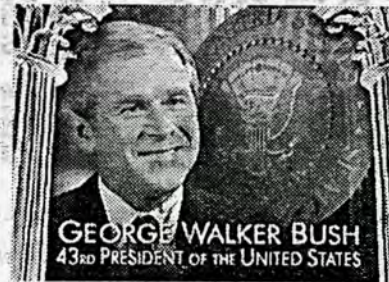
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A 'win'-lose situation

TV networks and newspapers nationwide jumped the gun with the "news" that George W. Bush had won. Even his hometown paper, which at one point had it right (below), headlined another edition: Bush! (bottom right).



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"We made mistakes," NBC election producer Jeff Zucker said. "But we made mistakes in good faith, based on bad information. If you make a mistake and own up to it, that's fine."



Projections a case of garbage in, garbage out

By DON KAPLAN

TV news execs were licking their wounds yesterday after the major U.S. networks twice mistakenly reported election results and declared a winner in the pivotal state of Florida.

It was a brew of bad information from exit polls, the tightest presidential race in 40 years and news organization's need to declare a winner before the night ended that left viewers confused.

"The data were wrong [Tuesday] night," one network official said. "We based our projections on the data that we had."

That data came from Voter News Service, a group formed and owned by five networks (CBS, NBC, ABC, Fox and CNN) and the Associated Press to provide the media with raw voting data from exit polls.

Network officials said they use teams of experts to analyze the VNS data, then plug it into complicated formulas to determine election winners — sometimes as soon as the polls closed.

But the margin between the two candidates in Florida was so small the models failed.

VNS, reporting from offices at the World Trade Center, caused the first mistake by providing incorrect information shortly before 8 p.m. that Democratic candidate Al

Gore had beaten the GOP's George W. Bush in Florida.

Between 7:49 and 8 p.m. Tuesday, NBC, CBS, CNN, Fox and ABC declared Gore the winner in Florida.

Network analysts goofed again shortly after 2 a.m. when mathematical models using VNS data, indicated Bush had won Florida, giving him the presidency.

At 2:16 a.m. Fox News Channel projected Bush as the winner in Florida and the other networks followed within minutes.

Shortly before 4 a.m., the networks began declaring Florida was undecided. Then, at 7 a.m., a weary looking Katie Couric opened NBC's "Today" show with "Good morning. We do not have a winner."

In a statement, VNS officials said their models "have served us well through many elections. However, we will investigate why they did not work properly in this specific situation."

CNN said yesterday it was scrutinizing the whole system used to project results.

"Because of the problems in reporting results of the presidential race in Florida," CNN officials said yesterday in a prepared statement, "CNN has initiated an immediate review of all procedures involved and has already begun consultation with the other news organizations."

TV ratings best in years

More than 50 million viewers watched the confusing TV coverage of the tightest presidential election in 40 years.

It was the biggest election audience in years — at least 34 percent bigger than in 1996.

About 54 million viewers watched, according to Broadcasting & Cable magazine.

Based on early Nielsen estimates, NBC's telecast was seen in about 8.6 million TV homes, ABC's in about 7 million, and CBS' in about 6 million. Fox, which had cleared its entertainment schedule for election coverage for the first time, was seen in about 2.2 million homes.

Fox officials said the network's coverage was watched by about 4.7 million viewers. Combined with the coverage it simulcast on its sister, Fox News Channel, it was seen by about 7.1 million viewers, officials said. CNN's prime-time coverage drew about 5.8 million viewers, MSNBC drew about 3 million, and Fox News Channel about 2.4 million.

PBS said its coverage was seen in 1.2 million homes.

Don Kaplan

over the weekend.

BusinessWeek, which was going to press last night with its regular issue, was forced to go with a cover that reads "What Mandate?" said editor-in-chief Stephen Shepard.

BW covers analyzing how Al Gore or George Bush would govern were scrapped.

Neither Time nor Newsweek was moving anything to the printer last night, pending further developments.

The only thing that might change that is a concession early Thursday by Bush or Gore, but that didn't seem likely at press time. The recount isn't expected to be completed until late Thursday.

"Everyone else has rushed to judgment, we're going to use some real judgment," said Walter Isaacson, managing editor of Time. "We'll see how the results turn out and make our own decision when to print."

He said he was going home late yesterday afternoon after staying up 'round the clock election night.

At Newsweek, editor in chief Richard Smith could not be reached, but a spokesman said: "Right now, we are watching events closely. We have several plans under consideration."

In an average week, Newsweek sells only 154,013 copies at newsstands, out of a total paid circulation of 3,138,460. Time sells even fewer copies at newsstands, 135,340 out of 4,073,827.

Newsstand sales for both titles tend to go up only slightly for post-election issues, but not dramatically

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Senate leader Lott casts the first stone

By MAGGIE HABERMAN

Senator-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton vowed yesterday to serve her full six-year term as Republican Majority Leader Trent Lott started drawing battle lines.

Asked whether she plans to make a run for the White House in the 2004 presidential election, Clinton firmly said, "No."

"I'm going to serve my six years as junior senator from New York," she told reporters at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, where she'd celebrated her landslide victory over GOP rival Rick Lazio the previous night.

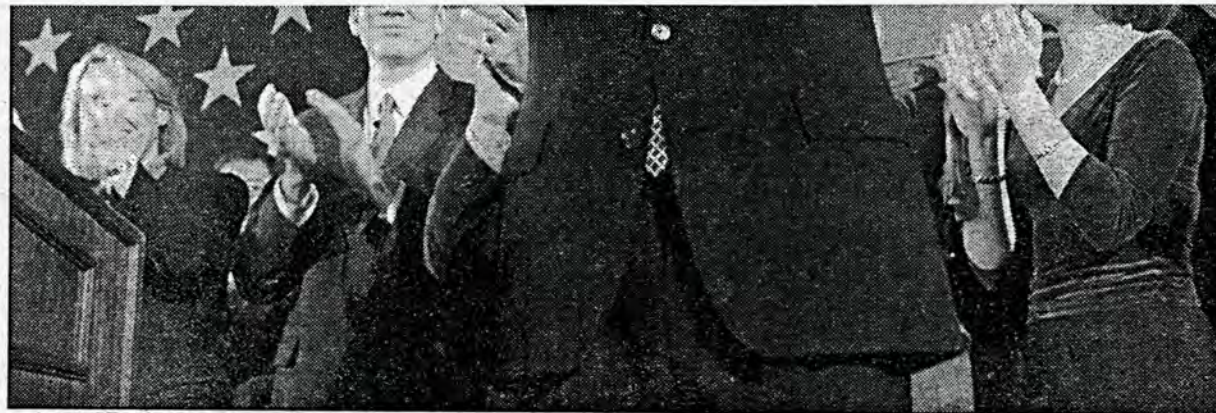
In the 20-minute media crush, Clinton also offered an olive branch to Senate Republicans — but Lott threw it back at her, saying "maybe lightning will strike" and she won't make it to Congress.

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"I tell you one thing. When this Hillary gets to the Senate — if she does, maybe lightning will strike





GRACIOUS LOSER: Rick Lazio, who had major disagreements with his campaign strategist down the stretch, shows class in conceding defeat to Hillary Clinton.
N.Y. Post: Tamara Beckwith

Lazio and his guru feuded over final weeks

By GREGG BIRNBAUM

Rick Lazio and his chief campaign strategist hardly spoke to each other during the final weeks of the race after the Republican candidate lost all trust in his hired-gun consultant, The Post learned yesterday.

Lazio and top adviser Mike Murphy had a falling out over repeated and serious problems with the campaign's television and radio ads, insiders said.

"There was a breakdown," one source said.

"There were things that Rick wanted done and they weren't done. There were other things that Rick said shouldn't be done and then they were done."

The final rupture came when Murphy ordered the broadcast of a radio ad calling the Kyoto environmental treaty "radical," overruling Lazio's earlier instructions not to air the commercial because it would make him look like a hypocrite because he'd spoken favorably about the treaty.

The ad backfired and had to be yanked — as Lazio had warned Murphy might happen.

Another campaign official said the tension between Lazio and

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Murphy stemmed in part from Lazio's "micromanaging" of the campaign.

"Murphy never accepted that," the source said. "He just thought he could do whatever he wanted. Murphy thought he was the expert, not Lazio."

The usually high-profile Murphy — who was rarely in campaign headquarters and didn't travel on the road with Lazio in the final weeks — was nowhere in sight on election night, preferring to be in Michigan with Sen. Spencer Abraham, a longtime client who also lost.

Lazio and Murphy didn't speak after the polls closed Tuesday night and the Republican made his concession speech, but they did talk yesterday.

Murphy denied any major rift with Lazio and said he often

communicated to Lazio by relaying messages through the campaign manager, Bill Dal Col.

"There was no big Rick-Murphy feud," Murphy said, denying he ever disregarded Lazio's instructions.

Lazio raised eyebrows when he recruited Murphy earlier this year because he passed over the state's favored GOP political consultants, Arthur Finkelstein and Kieran Mahoney, who work for Gov. Pataki.

Some insiders said it didn't take long for the Lazio-Murphy pairing to hit the rocks.

"There was never a connection made," a source said.

"I don't think Murphy likes him or felt Lazio was worth the aggravation because Rick is 'high-maintenance.'"

Murphy, who is based in Virginia and had never run a statewide campaign in New York, has been widely criticized for a strategy that was totally ineffective, both in defining Lazio and in attacking Hillary Clinton.

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But Lott, a conservative Republican from Mississippi who played a major role in her husband's impeachment trial, said:

"I tell you one thing. When this Hillary gets to the Senate — if she does, maybe lightning will strike and she won't — she will be one of 100 and we won't let her forget it."

Lott also advised Clinton to "keep a pretty low profile for a while."

Lott's words came as the first lady said before 28 TV cameras and some 50 reporters that she expects a "very positive reception" in the Senate — even from Republicans who tried to boot her husband out of office.

"I have worked with a number of the Republican members in the past," she said.

In fact, Clinton said, she got a "welcome aboard" phone call just before the news conference from one of her husband's sharpest critics, Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah), who "called to congratulate me and wish me well."

"I'll be hearing from other members of the Senate on the other side of the aisle as the day goes by," Clinton said, adding she'd also reached out to Gov. Pataki.

"It's like any new job — you've got to find your footing," said Clinton, the only first lady in history to run for office. "You have to be willing to work hard to learn the ropes and the rules, build relationships with people."

Asked if she'll try to turn down the wattage on her star power, she said: "To me, it's like a case-



KEEPING POSTED: Hillary Clinton revels in yesterday's Post headline heralding her election to the Senate.
N.Y. Post: David Rentas

by-case basis. I don't see that there's one strategy fits all. I don't expect this much attention after today."

Clinton, who's replacing retiring Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, said her first bill will focus on helping the economy upstate, a traditionally Republican stronghold where she finished strongly.

She said she's planning a fly-around victory tour upstate tomorrow.

Meanwhile, less than 24 hours after the polls closed, Lazio sent out a fund-raising letter to supporters asking for donations to pay off the debt "from the most costly Senate race in history."

"We do not have the taxpayers to pay our final tab, we need your help to end this right," the letter says.

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Lazio's Dem replacement lauds GOP support

By KIERAN CROWLEY
and TRACY CONNOR

The Democrat who won the Long Island congressional seat vacated by Rick Lazio said yesterday he has Republican voters to thank for his victory.

Steve Israel, a Huntington town councilman, said he owes his decisive victory over Joan Johnson, a GOP town clerk, to Republicans who crossed party lines to support him.

"This is a fiercely independent district. Party labels just don't seem to matter much here — positions on issues matter," Israel said.

"These are informed voters who cast party politics

aside when they close the curtain at the polling place."

Israel said he believes his "fiscally responsible approach" to budgets and government spending was one reason Republicans in Suffolk County's 2nd District pulled the lever for him.

And he said he would reward them with the spirit of bipartisanship.

"The Long Island delegation has always been

united and has always put politics aside. Republicans help Democrats, Democrats help Republicans. I'm sure we will continue that," he said.

Johnson had hoped to be elected the first black woman Republican in the House. Israel, like 85 percent of his district, is white.

The Israel-Johnson race was one of three dozen House contests closely watched by both parties this year as the Republi-

cans fought to hang onto a majority.

Two races were still undecided yesterday, but the GOP had guaranteed continued control by taking 220 seats to the Democrats' 211 seats.

"House Democrats have lost their once-in-a-generation chance to win back control of the House," said Tom Davis, chair of the National Republican Congressional Committee.

The two races too close to call included the battle between Democratic incumbent Rush Holt of New Jersey and former GOP Rep. Dick Zimmer.

It initially appeared Zimmer had ousted Holt, who won his seat in a stunning upset two years ago, but the tide turned by early morning, and a recount was likely. The other incumbent waiting to learn if he would return to the House was Florida Republican Clay Shaw.

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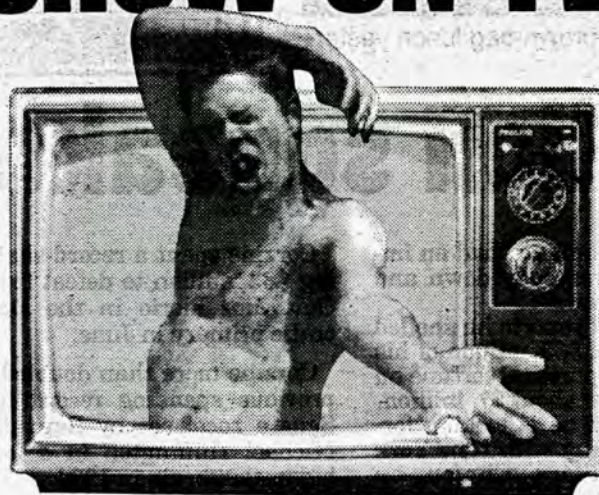


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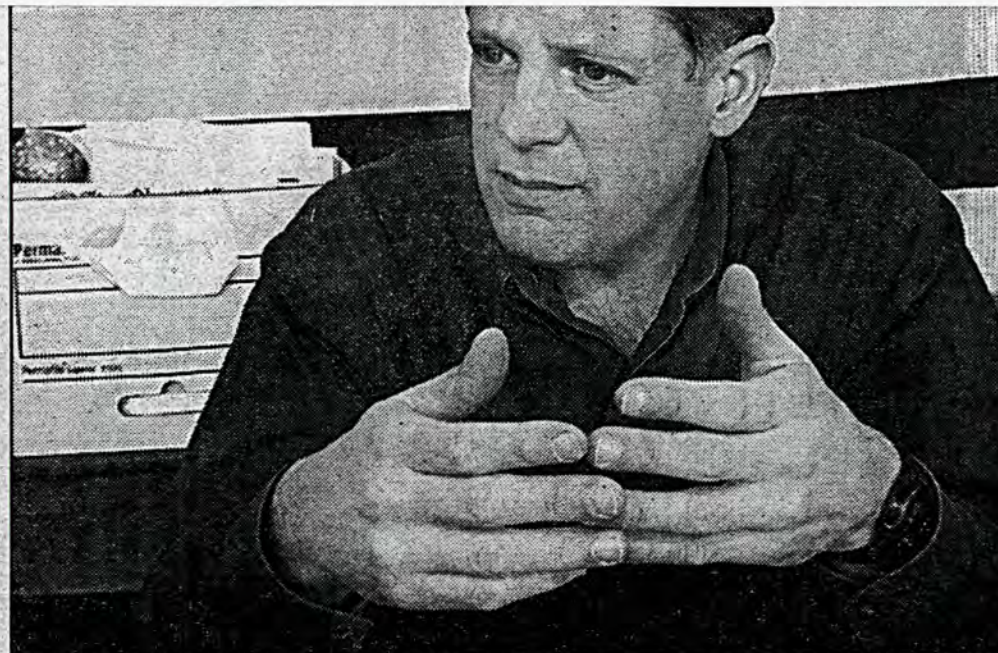
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'PARTY' BOY: Democrat Steve Israel yesterday thanks Long Island GOPers who crossed party lines to vote for him in his "fiercely independent district." N.Y. Post: Mary McLoughlin

Voting big: System needs massive repair\$

By FRANKIE EDOZIEN

The administrator of the state Board of Elections said yesterday it would take at least a \$60 million overhaul of the current system to avoid the myriad problems that occurred in Tuesday's elections.

Daniel DeFrancesco, the board's executive director, initially blamed heavy turnout for the widespread machine failures.

Yesterday, he revised his 70 percent turnout figure to 55 percent — but not his reasoning.

"Based on a very heavy turnout in the morning and afternoon, I thought the turnout would be up to 70 percent," he said. "It seems it trailed off in the evening hours."

DeFrancesco then pointed the finger at city and state officials for the kinks in the system.

"Many of the problems we encountered are as a result of the action or inaction of other government bodies," DeFrancesco said.

He said state legislators have restricted his ability to use new technology, and the city has restricted his funding.

"Democracy is not cheap ... It costs money to run a good election," DeFrancesco.

Board officials said the current crop of 6,700 38-year-old machines could be replaced in their entirety for \$60 million.

But Mayor Giuliani said no amount of money could eradicate the board's deficiencies.

"No, I'm not in favor of providing more funds," Giuliani, who stood in line for 35 minutes before voting, said yesterday.

"You can talk about more funds ... until the cows come home. You've got to change the system," the mayor said.

The New York Public Interest Research Group, which operates a voter help line, fired off a letter to the board yesterday detailing numerous complaints, including inspectors giv-

ing out wrong information.

Among the other problems cited were polling sites running out of paper ballots, voters' names missing from the rolls and denials of affidavit ballots.

"I sympathize with the enormous task the board has of putting on a one-day event with 22,000 part-time people who are paid modestly for a long day's work," said Gene Russiannoff, a NYPRIG lawyer.

"But I also know the right to vote is precious and people losing it because of misinformation is infuriating."

DeFrancesco said the bottom line was inadequate funding.

"They get a \$130 a day for a 16-hour day. I'll tell you, you get what you pay for."

He added that the 300,000 new voters registered this year also contributed to the long lines.

"Many were unfamiliar with the voting process, and some of the problems were related to the unfamiliarity with the process," he said.

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The biggest incumbent toppled in the seat-swapping was Republican Rep. James Rogan of California — one of the House managers in President Clinton's impeachment trial — who was beaten by Democratic state senator Adam Schiff.

The Democrats took four other GOP seats in California, but the Republicans captured open Democratic seats in Pennsylvania, New York, Missouri, Virginia and Michigan.

Unofficial results also had the GOP knocking out Connecticut incumbent Sam Gejdenson, but he refused to concede until the returns are certified.

If the Senate Loss Is a Crime, One Party Has Many Suspects

By DAN BARRY

Nearly two hours after the polls closed on election night, some of New York's most prominent Republicans filed onstage at a Midtown Manhattan hotel, turned and faced forward. And for all the forced hand-clapping and tight smiles that followed, they still looked as though they were posing in a lineup for a crime of politics.

Was the culprit the candidate, Rick A. Lazio, the boyish congressman up front, who had spent more than \$30 million of other people's money, only to lose to the party's arch-enemy, Hillary Rodham Clinton? Was it Gov. George E. Pataki, that tall man in the middle, for not redirecting a campaign that was clearly heading in the wrong direction? Was it Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, the tight-lipped man to the right, for not conceding sooner that personal matters would prevent him from running?

And what about those conspicuously unavailable for mug shots? William D. Powers, the state Republican chairman, whose operation essentially portrayed Mrs. Clinton as a handmaiden to terrorism? Or Michael Murphy, the out-of-state strategist whose critics say he does not know Buffalo from Boise?

No Republican stepped forward yesterday to claim responsibility for Mr. Lazio's convincing loss to Mrs. Clinton in the race for the United States Senate, and few agreed about its causes. But many seemed to concur with Lee M. Miringoff, the director of the Marist College Institute for Public Opinion in Poughkeepsie, who essentially described Mrs. Clinton's victory as a political and public-relations stink bomb that reeks of a state party in disarray.

"Obviously, having a Hillary Clinton invasion taking foot in the Empire State is probably high on their worst-fears list," Dr. Miringoff said. "It's nothing that they are going to put on their political résumés."

But several political scientists and consultants said the problems for the state Republican Party transcended the Clinton victory. They

said that Mrs. Clinton's considerable success in upstate New York suggested the region could no longer be categorized as a Republican stronghold, and that voting trends on Tuesday — even in legislative races that Republicans won — indicated fissures in the party's trusted blocs.

The Republicans hold the state's highest office — the governorship — and still control the State Senate. But they have none of the other major statewide offices, little power in the Assembly, only a minority of the United States House seats and neither Senate seat. And they have significantly fewer registered members than do the Democrats — roughly three million to nearly five million.

"They are in serious trouble," said Gerald Benjamin, the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at the State University of New York at New Paltz. "Apart from Clinton's victory, which is a big story, the vulnerability of Republicans statewide is the story."

Only a few years ago, the state Republican Party seemed invincible. Its chairman, Mr. Powers, had taken over a debt-ridden, ineffective operation and turned it into a wealthy and united political force. Its string of victories in a predominantly Democratic state was breathtaking: Senator Alfonse M. D'Amato's re-election in 1992, Mr. Giuliani's election in 1993 and, most impressive of all, Mr. Pataki's upset of the Democratic incumbent, Mario M. Cuomo, in 1994.

But beginning in 1998, the party began to suffer significant losses and embarrassments. Mr. D'Amato lost resoundingly to Charles E. Schumer in 1998, the same year that the legislative slate of the once-dominant Nassau County Republican operation was wiped out. Then the political career of one of the party's ascending stars, Jeanine F. Pirro, the Westchester County district attorney, was derailed by the criminal conviction of her husband.

Meanwhile, internal squabbling has often impeached the state party's call for unity, as evidenced by the last weeks of the Senate race. A

few days ago, Governor Pataki said the state party — read, Mr. Powers — had been wrong to wage a telephone campaign that sought to link some of Mrs. Clinton's donors to the kind of Mideast terrorism that is being blamed for the bombing of the destroyer Cole last month.

And on Election Day morning, Governor Pataki's wife, Libby, reminded the public of the chilly relationship between her husband and Mr. Giuliani. She told a radio audience in Albany that the mayor's decision not to step down from the Senate race until late May — based on a diagnosis of prostate cancer — had hurt Mr. Lazio's chances of winning the election.

"I was very disappointed by the selfish behavior on his part," Mrs. Pataki said. "It was time Rick could have used. It did hurt to have the mayor being so wishy-washy

about his decision."

Mrs. Pataki later apologized for comments that a statement from the governor's office said were born of frustration; Mr. Giuliani said that given the crises he faced, he could not have acted any sooner. In addition, many Republican strategists say the timing played little or no role in the loss by Mr. Lazio — who, after all, still managed to raise \$33 million in five months (compared with the \$26 million that Mrs. Clinton spent in 16 months).

"If Giuliani had dropped out two weeks earlier, Lazio would have lost by more, given the campaign that he ran," said Joseph Mercurio, a Republican consultant.

Several strategists joined Mr. Mercurio in saying that Mr. Lazio must accept most of the responsibility: the race was his to lose, they said. They said he took upstate for

granted, focused too long on campaign finance — an issue that many voters do not find particularly pressing — and spent more time trying to define Mrs. Clinton in unflattering terms than in defining himself.

"The only person who ultimately makes those decisions is the candidate," said Kieran Mahoney, a Republican strategist. "That's an almost immutable observation."

Still, several strategists agreed that everyone would wind up sharing the blame, including Mr. Powers, who was overwhelmingly re-elected as party chief in September.

"Unfortunately, when you're the party chairman, you get blamed for everything that goes wrong and get nothing for when things go right," said Norman Adler, a consultant to both Democrats and Republicans. He said this assessment of blame

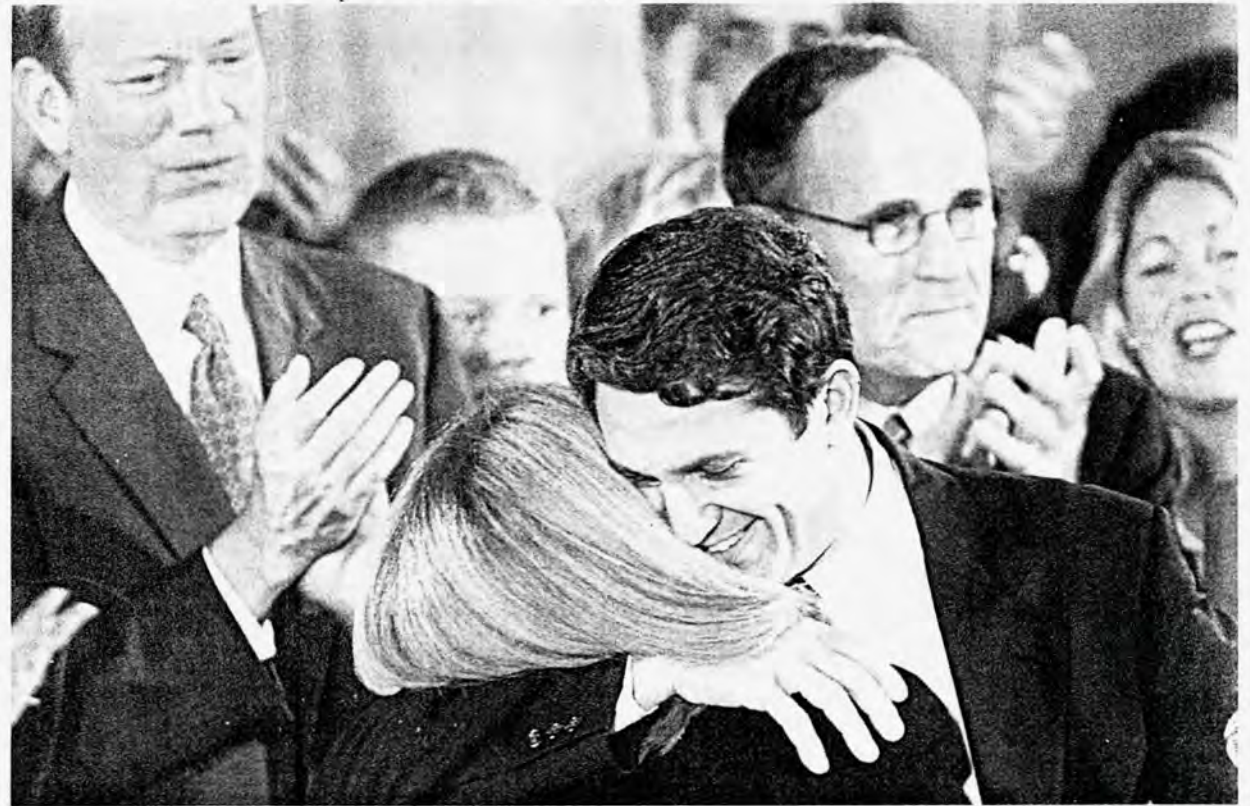
was unfair, in part because party bosses no longer exist.

"The chairs are basically cheerleaders and fund-raisers," he said. "They're not tacticians and bosses. There are no more machines; party identification is so weak you see ticket splitting all over the place."

Mr. Giuliani said yesterday that the state party did well in Tuesday's elections, given the heavy turnout of Democrats, and that he had personally worked very hard for Mr. Lazio.

Meanwhile, an aide to Mr. Pataki said the governor "gave a lot of effort" to the Lazio race and had no regrets.

Despite these and other alibis, people close to the Republican Party say, the Lazio case has insiders worrying about copycat crimes in the future.



Rick A. Lazio hugged his wife, Patricia, Tuesday night. Behind him were Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, right, and Gov. George E. Pataki.

POLITICAL MEMO

Mrs. Clinton Finds Right Mix in Celebrity, Turnout and Upstate Focus

By ADAM NAGOURNEY

By the time the votes were counted, it was hard to see what Rick A. Lazio could have done to get out of the way. Hillary Rodham Clinton rode to victory on a wave created by a crack-the-whip, get-out-the-vote effort orchestrated by her friends at the labor unions, a swell in the number of registered Democrats in the state, and, perhaps most of all, the huge margin that Al Gore posted over George W. Bush in New York.

Mrs. Clinton won a contest that even some Democrats had once thought she would lose, by capitalizing on her celebrity, particularly by traveling to remote areas upstate where voters rarely saw a governor, much less a first lady. She identified herself with Democratic concerns in New York, from the economy upstate to health care downstate, in a way intended to erase lingering questions about her character. And in what might be the most instructive lesson of this campaign, particularly on the heels of Charles Schumer's Senate race in 1998, she demonstrated that upstate New York is not as safe a Republican region as had been assumed for so long.

Indeed, Mrs. Clinton defeated Mr. Lazio by 12 percentage points, a margin that surprised advisers to both candidates. But most revealing, she came within three points of Mr. Lazio upstate, an affirmation of her insistence on campaigning there so often. And turnout among black voters seems to have indeed increased as a result of the first lady's regular visits to black churches: blacks made up 11 percent of the electorate this year, compared with 9 percent in 1998, in a survey of voters leaving the polls on Election Day.

Still, in the end, all those forces seem to have had more to do with the magnitude of Mrs. Clinton's victory, as opposed to the victory itself. In truth, most of the polls taken from the moment Mr. Lazio got in the race last May, replacing Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, suggested that there was never really that much variation in this contest, until the end. He always scored between 40 and 45 percent; in the end, he attracted 43 percent of the vote.

One of Mr. Lazio's advisers said yesterday that Mrs. Clinton's character, which Republicans had thought would be the hook with which they could bring her down, instead served to obscure their efforts the two times they sought to turn more to issues, in particular Mr. Lazio's tax cut proposal.

Mr. Lazio's consultants sought yesterday to blame factors beyond



Hillary Clinton made a post-campaign appearance in Grand Central Terminal yesterday, a day after defeating Rick A. Lazio for a Senate seat.

Lazio's aides say they could not overcome Al Gore's margin.

argument in an interview yesterday, saying that he believed it was impossible to win the race once it became clear that Mr. Gore was going to win the state by 1.5 million votes.

"When the numbers are as big as they are, it's not right or wrong," Mr. Dal Col said. "The math gets impossible."

Still, a number of Republicans argued that the candidate and his staff had only made things more difficult in the way they approached the contest. And as campaign workers began clearing out Mr. Lazio's offices on Park Avenue, there were accounts of turmoil and discord surrounding the campaign and the state Republican Party that Mr. Lazio's associates said undercut the campaign at a number of turns.

There was open dissent, for exam-

ple, between Mr. Lazio's campaign staff and state Republican Party officials. State Republicans said yesterday they had told Mr. Lazio over the summer that he was making a mistake in keeping such a low profile for so long. Mr. Lazio's aides said he used the time to raise money, but his absence allowed Mrs. Clinton to make inroads upstate and to begin raising questions about Mr. Lazio's record with a series of negative commercials.

State Republicans also complained that Mr. Lazio recruited help from outside the state to run his campaign.

For their part, Mr. Lazio's aides blamed William Powers, the state Republican chairman, for what they contended was one of the biggest mistakes of the campaign: asking

trating telephone advocacy calls that sought to link Mrs. Clinton to the terrorist attack on the destroyer Cole in Yemen. "It was the single biggest blunder — and it was by the local know-it-all New Yorkers," said one of Mr. Lazio's advisers. "The biggest blunder of the race was the brainchild of the local guys."

Mr. Powers did not return a call seeking comment yesterday.

There was tension between Mr. Lazio and his own advisers as well. His aides pressed him to deliver a series of six policy speeches in an effort to rebut attempts by Mrs. Clinton to portray him as an intellectual lightweight. Mr. Lazio delivered just three of them, as the candidate and his aides could not come to agreement on the language and even some of the messages in the speeches.

Mr. Lazio and Mr. Murphy argued several times over advertisements that Mr. Murphy wanted him to broadcast: on at least two occasions, Mr. Murphy began running advertisements, one on television and one on radio, over the objections of Mr. Lazio, according to one of the candidate's aides. When Mr. Lazio confronted him, Mr. Murphy argued the ads were a key to defeating Mrs. Clinton, the aides said.

As it turned out, Mr. Lazio was forced to withdraw one of the ads, which attacked Mrs. Clinton for support a treaty on global warming, after he was criticized by environmental groups. Mr. Murphy declined to comment.

Even in defeat, Mr. Lazio did appear to have some success, notably, in undermining her support among Jews, by questioning her allegiance to Israel. The survey of voters leaving the polls found that Mrs. Clinton won the support of just 53 percent of the state's Jewish voters, an anemic showing for a Democrat. Typically, a Democratic candidate in a statewide race draws at least 60 percent of the Jewish vote.

Mrs. Clinton's advisers said that they had considered her weak among Jews from the start. But they made the calculation, they said, that they could counter this with a strong showing upstate.

Finally, perhaps the most successful strategy employed by Mrs. Clinton's associates was their attempt to erase the objection that Mrs. Clinton was trying to run from a state where she had not lived. To that end, they decided more than a year ago to simply have her spend as much time in New York as possible.

On the very last day of his campaign, Mr. Lazio assailed her again on the subject, as had Mr. Giuliani before him. If nothing else, the margin of Mrs. Clinton's victory suggests that this course of attack had at most limited appeal.

Mr. Dal Col, in an interview, acknowledged yesterday that the campaign had made several missteps, from the Cole calls to Mr. Lazio's decision to walk across the stage at the candidates' first debate and demand that Mrs. Clinton sign a pledge to bar the use of soft money. Still, he said after reviewing the numbers, none of that mattered much in the end.

"If you add up all these mistakes, they don't equal this race," he said. "It might get you five points. It doesn't get you the race. There was nothing about it."

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The Bushes dining with the Clintons



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Johnson: Invited to White House.

Former president George Bush and former first lady Barbara Bush won't have to wait for the presidential election results to know whether they'll be back into the White House. They're supposed to be there tonight at a dinner hosted by President Clinton and his soon-to-be senator wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton. The timing might be strange, but the event marking the 200th anniversary of the Executive Mansion was scheduled long before anyone could have imagined that today could be the day the Bushes' son, George W. Bush, learns whether he'll be moving into 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. in January.

Others invited to the East Room dinner: Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter; Gerald and Betty Ford and Lady Bird Johnson, widow of former president Lyndon Johnson. None of the former presidents' children was invited to attend the dinner. The Fords and the Carters reportedly are planning to spend the night. — Mimi Hall

Hillary's fete: Election central

In a strange twist on a strange night, guests of honor **Hillary** and **Bill Clinton** didn't make it to a private victory party at Elaine's for the new senator Tuesday. But a select group of guests went from the party to their place, a suite at the Grand Hyatt in Manhattan, as they awaited more news of the presidential cliffhanger.

"If they win, they're here," Miramax Films' co-host **Harvey Weinstein** said firmly of the first couple he has backed for years. But at 12:45 a.m. he told the crowd he had talked to the Clintons "and they are working the phones for **Gore**, but they've invited 50 of the faithful to come over."

He, wife **Eve Chilton** and more Clinton backers, including **Tina Brown** with **Harry Evans**, **Ben Affleck**, **Uma Thurman**, diva **Jessye Norman** and writer **Anna Devereaux Smith**, made a worried procession via cars to a hotel suite, where the Clintons greeted them. The first couple were delighted with Hillary's Senate victory, but the president stayed focused on **Gore**, predicting he'd win the popular vote and expressing anger at spoiler **Ralph Nader**. **Chelsea** had a chat with **Affleck**, who got a personal thank-you from the prez for his campaign help. A jubilant but relaxed Hillary gave Weinstein a big hug; the president had been boosting **Gore** to a Las Vegas radio station at the moment her win was declared.

At the Elaine's event, also hosted by media mogul **Michael Bloomberg**, I mingled with a starry crowd: **Sigourney Weaver**, digging into fried chicken, with director husband **Jim Simpson**, **Ethan Hawke** with **Thurman**, **Affleck** joined later by **Gwyneth Paltrow** — they whispered as they sat before one of several big TV screens — director **Sydney Pollack**, **Chevy Chase**, **Barry Diller**, **Diane von Furstenberg**, **Jennifer Lo-**



News & views

By Jeannie Williams

This column appears Tuesday-Thursday.

pez (minus "Puffy" Combs).

Russell Simmons said he had given a Hillary fundraiser. "I put her on the hip-hop radio stations, and my advertising agency helped at the last minute to cut her radio spots. We certainly had a good turnout in the African-American community, and I worked hard on that."

Affleck, a New York voter, campaigned for **Gore** Monday in Miami. The star can talk fluently on issues, like the "reckless" idea of putting Social Security money into the market. "I grew up in a very political household."

As the night wore on, Weinstein checked **Gore's** numbers with political experts such as *Time's* **Margaret Carlson**, and worked his cellphone in the kitchen, Brown frowning at his side.

Producer and Clinton backer **Lawrence Bender** could end up "head of the FCC if **Gore** wins," a Miramax exec quipped. Bender said Hillary "will be a major force in Washington, in the (Democratic) minority."

Like most of the party, **Ken Sunshine**, Democratic activist and publicist, was stunned by the unfolding drama. He said client **Barbra Streisand** had been making calls for **Gore** to radio stations Tuesday night till the polls closed in the West. **Jessye Norman** noted that **Daniel Patrick Moynihan** was said to be the last of the great intellectuals in the Senate: "That was before (Hillary) was elected tonight." **Marie Brenner**, who wrote a book on "Great Dames," predicted Hillary will be one for New York, and Bill, she said, is going to be "everywhere" on the New York social scene. **Omar Wasow** of MSNBC and BlackPlanet.com is a 29-year-old independent, "not an enthusiast of either candidate." He sees Bill going for "president of Harvard, maybe movie mogul in Hollywood."

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Gore won easily, with 60 percent of the vote. Hillary Rodham Clinton (D) made political history by defeating Rep. Rick Lazio (R) in the high-profile race to replace retiring Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D). Lampooned as a carpetbagger, a reckless liberal and her husband's enabler, the first lady managed to achieve a surprisingly comfortable 12-point victory. She is the first wife of a U.S. president to win elected office.

Because Clinton was such a polarizing

candidate, Lazio, a relatively obscure four-term congressman from Long Island, started out with an immediate advantage when he entered the race as a replacement for ailing New York City Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani (R). Early on, 4 of 10 New Yorkers said they would vote for anyone but Clinton. But Lazio ran a campaign many saw as overly aggressive, linking Clinton, for example, to last month's terrorist attack on the USS Cole in Yemen.

Clinton, meanwhile, followed a two-pronged strategy that appears to have paid off. She focused most of her campaigning in upstate New York, traditionally Republican territory, before spending the last days of the race energizing her supporters—particularly black voters and union members—in New York City. She flaunted her mastery of local issues, touted her husband's role in creating national prosperity and tried to link Lazio, a moderate, to the GOP's right wing.

The House seat held by Lazio went to Huntington Councilman Steve Israel (D), who defeated Joan B. Johnson, the town clerk in Islip. Johnson would have become the first black Republican woman in the House. Israel, 42, is the majority leader of the Huntington Town Board. In his campaign, he stressed tax relief and health care.

In another closely contested Long Island battle, Brookhaven Supervisor Felix Grucci (R), 47, president of a fireworks firm, defeated Regina Seltzer (D), an environmental lawyer and member of the Brookhaven Planning Board. In the Democratic primary, Seltzer had defeated incumbent Michael P. Forbes, a former Republican who switched parties in mid-session, so irritating his party leaders that they supported Seltzer's campaign.

New York

Hillary Clinton Democrat

Hillary Rodham Clinton ended 24 years as a political wife Tuesday, stepping out to become the first female senator from New York. As first lady, she defended her husband against his enemies and led some of his more liberal policy crusades. By the end of the eight years, Clinton, 53, had made herself an icon, as adored by core Democrats as she was loathed by conservatives.

To everyone in between she remained a shifting mystery, a feminist champion who nonetheless always stood by her man.

Now, finally independent, Clinton is likely to return to her liberal roots. As an activist lawyer, she crusaded for health care reform and children's issues, promoting expanded child care, foster care and adoption.

But there's little chance she'll bury herself in wonkish, first-term obscurity. As long as Republicans retain control of both houses of Congress, Clinton is a natural to emerge as one of the most powerful

ELECTION 2000

The Nation

First Lady Prepares to Take Large Role as a New Senator

By MICHAEL GRUNWALD
Washington Post Staff Writer

NEW YORK, Nov. 8—"It's just like any new job—first you've got to find your footing," New York's newly elected junior senator said at her post-election news conference today. But as she discussed her Washington plans with more than 100 media people—all of whom submitted to security pat-downs before cramming into a Manhattan conference room—it was obvious that Hillary Rodham Clinton will never be just like any new senator.

On the day after she defeated Rep. Rick Lazio (R) by 12 percentage points, the first lady tried to assure New York that she will be a diligent freshman back-bencher, reaching out to Republicans who voted to end her husband's presidency, learning the byzantine customs of the clubby Senate—and not running for president in 2004.

But she almost certainly will become more than that when she lands on Capitol Hill: a GOP fundraising tool, a magnet for media attention, a go-to Democrat on children and family issues, and a target for the jealousy, hostility and other intense emotions that the Clintons always have inspired.

"She'll be one of 100 co-equals," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott (R-Miss.) said today. "She'll have to get used to that."

This senator-to-be, after all, is probably the best-known woman in America, and almost certainly the most polarizing. Her new colleagues already have rejected her complex plan to revolutionize health care. Her family finances have been subject to protracted congressional investigations during the last eight years of partisan warfare, as have her husband's fundraising practices and the cost of her Senate campaign to taxpayers.

She also will be the only senator with a permanent Secret Service detail. It is conceivable that her very presence will require security changes at the Capitol.

"She's never going to be just another senator," said one Democratic Senate aide. "But it wouldn't be beneficial for anyone for our caucus to turn into

the Hillary Clinton show. She's assured people that she knows she's got a steep learning curve and a lot of hard work to do."

Today, Clinton said she understands that in a deeply divided Senate, legislation will have to be bipartisan to pass, and she vowed to work closely with senators of both parties. Her aides say she has done just that since her health-care debacle; she often cites her cooperation on a children's health insurance bill with Sen. Orrin G. Hatch, a conservative Republican from Utah, and on foster care legislation with House Majority Whip Tom DeLay (R-Tex.), her husband's most dedicated opponent in Congress. Hatch even called her to congratulate her.

Clinton said she knows that she and New York's other senator, Democrat Charles E. Schumer, with two combined years of seniority, will have to battle for federal funds in a GOP-controlled Senate; some Democrats fear their counterparts may be eager to make the first lady look bad. But she said she spoke last night with Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani (R) and Gov. George E. Pataki (R) and pledged to work with them for New York. One reporter asked her whether she'd have to be more collegial to succeed in the back-slapping Senate. "You don't think I'm collegial?" she asked with a tight smile.

"I think I'll get a very positive reception," she said. "I've worked with Republicans in the past and I look forward to working with them again."

Today, Clinton said she intends to begin that work by crafting a bill designed to revive the upstate New York economy, featuring targeted tax credits for small businesses and more money for job training. She said the bill would be based on her much-ballyhooed upstate economic plan, which helped her draw even with Lazio in that heavily Republican region.

She did not say that the plan drew heavily from an almost identical plan drafted in 1998 by Schumer, who then was in the House. Lott noted today that hard work behind the scenes is what gets things done in the Senate, and the first lady repeated those sentiments at her standing-room-



BY KATHY WILLENS—ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hillary Rodham Clinton addresses reporters during her first news conference since her 12-point win over Republican Rep. Rick Lazio in New York.

only news conference. "I don't expect this much attention after today," said Clinton, who has expressed interest in the foreign relations, appropriations, and health and human services committees.

Perhaps. Several Democrats say they expect the first lady to play a leading role on issues such as child care and health care, and her celebrity factor is sure to attract attention. In any case, Sen. Bob Kerrey (D-Neb.), a frequent critic of the Clinton administration, said he expects the first lady to be a formidable and talented senator—as well as Capitol Hill's most sought-after Democrat for campaign help.

Still, he warned that she cannot afford another debacle like her health-care plan. "She'll have 99 senators tell her oh, they're delighted she's here, she's the greatest person since someone figured out how to slice bread," said Kerrey, who is leaving the Senate and moving to New York. "But the minute she stumbles, the long knives will come out. Believe me, she'll have more people up here who want her to fail than people who want her to succeed."

For now, Republicans are saying only that the first lady will be treated like any other rookie. "The Senate is a great leveler," said Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.), chairman of the Senate GOP campaign committee. "All freshmen start at the bottom."

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Goodbye, Dolly



BY RALPH ALSWANG—THE WHITE HOUSE/COURTESY OF VANITY FAIR

■ In the next new phase of their farewell tour, the Clintons gave Vanity Fair permission to publish private family White House photos with **President Clinton** providing captions, including **Ralph Alswang's** portrait at **Hillary Clinton's**

country-and-western-theme 48th-birthday party in October 1995. "She put on this kind of red-and-white cotton skirt and that big **Dolly Parton**-like wig. We had a great time," the president told the magazine.

It's up all night with Bill after fill of thrill for Hill

ELECTION Night. The Hyatt, 34th floor. Chez Clinton's 2 a.m. food. The Prez washing down miniature eggrolls with diet Coke. He had jacket and tie off. But hands on. On his wife's back. Rubbing it in circles, he was.

The place was like a bunker. Closeclose invitees, maybe 50 including Hill's mother, Bill's stepfather, senior aides, Hillary's forever-friend Susan Thomases, actor John Ritter and the missus, took the elevator to the 33rd floor. They were escorted up the stairwell to the 34th by New York cops in green camouflage suits, machine guns drawn.

The dynamics and direction of the energy flow appeared to have changed. Hillary was running the show.

It was a succession of suites. Signs on doors read "Receiving Suite," "Presidential Suite." Bill, meandering back and forth to the Receiving Suite, still meandered at 4 a.m. Hill and Chel packed it in earlier.

Hillary's friends from all parts of her life were hugging and cheering her. Her husband the Senate Wife was mainly preoccupied with the presidential election.

Well after midnight someone hollered in, "What's happening in Florida?" White House Counsel Bruce Lindsey hollered

Cindy Adams



BARBARA BUSH

Oh, brother!

back: "Jeb Bush is running around stuffing the f---ing ballot boxes!"

Another raised voice added: "Can't you just see Barbara Bush phoning her kid the governor of Florida and saying, 'Listen, you want to be a good son? You have to help your brother.'"

Conversation did *not* favor Gore. It ranged from "He wasn't aggressive enough" to a debate on whether strategy or arrogance prevented his having Clinton stump for him. Their decision: "Ego and arrogance. It was Gore saying, 'I'm running for President. I'll make the speeches. I don't need him.' He was plain stupid!"

Harvey Weinstein of Miramax, Tina Brown of Talk, Michael Bloomberg of Bloomberg expected New York's junior senator-elect to make their party at Elaine's. When she didn't, a wagon train of limos set out for the Hillary and the Hyatt.

As dawn broke and those presidential candidates were still no place, the current temp William Jefferson Clinton made this precise exact word-for-word quote: "If those two boys can't make up their minds ... well ... then ... I'll just stay."

THE morning after this all-night non-election. So how late did Police Commissioner Bernard Kerik stay up? "Until 4:30. I kept flipping to every station." Parks Commish Henry Stern: "1 a.m." Queens D.A. Richard Brown: "10:30. I'm in politics 40 years. I knew if it's this way now it's the same at 6:30 in the morning." Realtor Lew Rudin: "At 11. I could tell this was an all-nighter." Speaker Peter Vallone: "My 91-year-old aunt said, 'This will go a week,' so I went to bed my regular time."

NEXT morning's 8:30 Association for a Better New York breakfast. Bleary guy in pinstripe suit: "So who's our next president?"

Bleary guy in navy suit: "Hillary."

Lady yawning in pantsuit: "Imagine, they're *still* counting votes."

Lady yawning in red knit: "Good it's happening in Florida. Gives those retirees down there something to do."

The Waldorf ballroom roared when Archbishop Edward Egan, acknowledging everyone's heavy lids, nodding necks and lack of sleep, opened his address with: "Good evening."

Breakfast was limp bacon, crisp eggs. David Dinkins, sitting with the archbishop, had, "An omelette. Over easy. Fold in vegetables. And ketchup with tabasco." I stared at him. He said: "Hey, I used to be a waiter."

SO executive assistant Jennifer Kelly's explaining about Gore running for president and Bush running for president and Hillary running for senator and Lazio running for senator. Her 7-year-old niece thought a moment, then: "Do they have to run? Couldn't they swim?"

Only in New York, kids, only in New York.

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Liz Smith

Electoral musings

YOU HEAR politics until you wish both parties were smothered in their own gas," said Woodrow Wilson, 28th president of the U.S.

NEW YORK'S big election night fete offered up at Elaine's salon-saloon by Miramax movie king **Harvey Weinstein** and the potential next mayor of N.Y.C. — **Michael Bloomberg** — brought out an amazing crowd. But the atmosphere was existential, to say the least. As the night wore on amid big TV sets, each tuned to a different channel, people milled and ate standing up from two buffets. Some folks began to harumph, "I'd rather be at home in my pj's watching this in bed on TV!" But generally, nobody left, for fear of missing something. It's was like Sartre's "No Exit." (And here there didn't need to be any exit polls since the gang was pro-Al Gore and Hillary Clinton to the Miramax.)

One wisecracker says, "This was a room full of people who think they know everything, but on this night, they didn't know anything and couldn't even find anything out." People were on cell phones trying to get inside info, but there was none. Gore was ahead one minute; **Bush** the next. The evening was marked by the seesaw nervousness and tension of the Gore-Bush swing itself.

Talk magazine's **Tina Brown** had remained mum about the evening's assumed *piece de resistance* — the triumphal appearance around 10:15 p.m. of President **Bill Clinton** and his bride, the new Senator from New York. It didn't happen anyway. Around 11 or so the Clintons were still trapped on stage at their hotel — the president red-faced and weepy, **Chelsea** nestled in his arm looking quite happy and the first lady at the podium drawing all attention to herself.

Soon after, the Secret Service men swarming Elaine's could relax. The Clintons weren't coming. At an exhausting 2 a.m., Weinstein took the mike at Elaine's and said 50 VIPs would be selected to go to the Clintons' hotel. He named his editor, Tina Brown, to do the selecting and so she did from **Uma Thurman** to **Ben Affleck** to **Karen Duffy** to **Jessye Norman** to **Anna Devere Smith** to all the gossip columnists who had gathered like lemmings.

In the Clinton suite at the Grand Hyatt, the president entertained for at least 45 minutes. He was particularly voluble in his disdain for **Ralph Nader**, who may have cost Al Gore the election. When Missouri went for its dead Democratic governor, insuring that his widow, **Jean Carnahan**, would serve in his Senate seat, the president pounded the TV set in glee. The press came in for some Bill bashing: "Disgusting! Just disgusting!" said the president, describing media treatment of candidate Gore. He said the press had been extremely pro-Bush, deliberately denigrating



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BRITNEY SPEARS
Under scrutiny.

Gore.

Tina's chosen few were flabbergasted at how accessible the president was as the results came in. One says, "He seemed to know absolutely everything about every single candidate, Democratic or Republican. There wasn't a Senator or Congressman, no matter how obscure, that Clinton didn't have vital facts on. Too bad he couldn't have run again."

Politics aside, one has to admire the *chutzpah* and imagination exercised by editor Brown in promoting her fledgling magazine Talk. The mag's parties, get-togethers, celebrations and galas are masterpieces, designed to cause "talk." And now if only owner Weinstein would take a course in stress management — well, who knows how much further Talk, Miramax books and movies can go!

Introducing Hillary Clinton, Senator-Elect

To the Editor:

Re "Hillary Clinton Goes to Senate" (front page, Nov. 8):

Hillary Rodham Clinton has won a major victory for herself, New York State, the country and all women. I applaud her goals, methods and intellect. The one small area in which she could improve is her speaking style. Her husband is a master at projecting feelings, caring and empathy. I believe that she could do the same. All Mrs. Clinton has to do is speak to her supporters and detractors as if she were speaking to her daughter.

Positions, explanations, advice and arguments can all be offered in a conciliatory, balanced and caring manner. Style, personality and image do matter.

DIANA GABRIEL
New York, Nov. 8, 2000

To the Editor:

Re "Hillary Clinton Goes to Senate" (front page, Nov. 8):

Now that the New York Senate race is over, the state should decide the "carpetbagger issue" once and for all. Just how long one should reside in the

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state before becoming a real New Yorker is a philosophical question. I personally think that once you decide to live there and move, voilà! You are a New Yorker.

LOIS BRODY
Philadelphia, Nov. 8, 2000

To the Editor:

In Hillary Rodham Clinton's first act as senator-elect, she showed exactly why so many New Yorkers did not want her representing our state. In her effort to make the opening clip of the 11 p.m. news, she declared victory, not even waiting for Representative Rick A. Lazio to finish conceding (front page, Nov. 8). This selfish act shows that her priorities are Hillary first, New York second.

RICHARD REID
New York, Nov. 8, 2000

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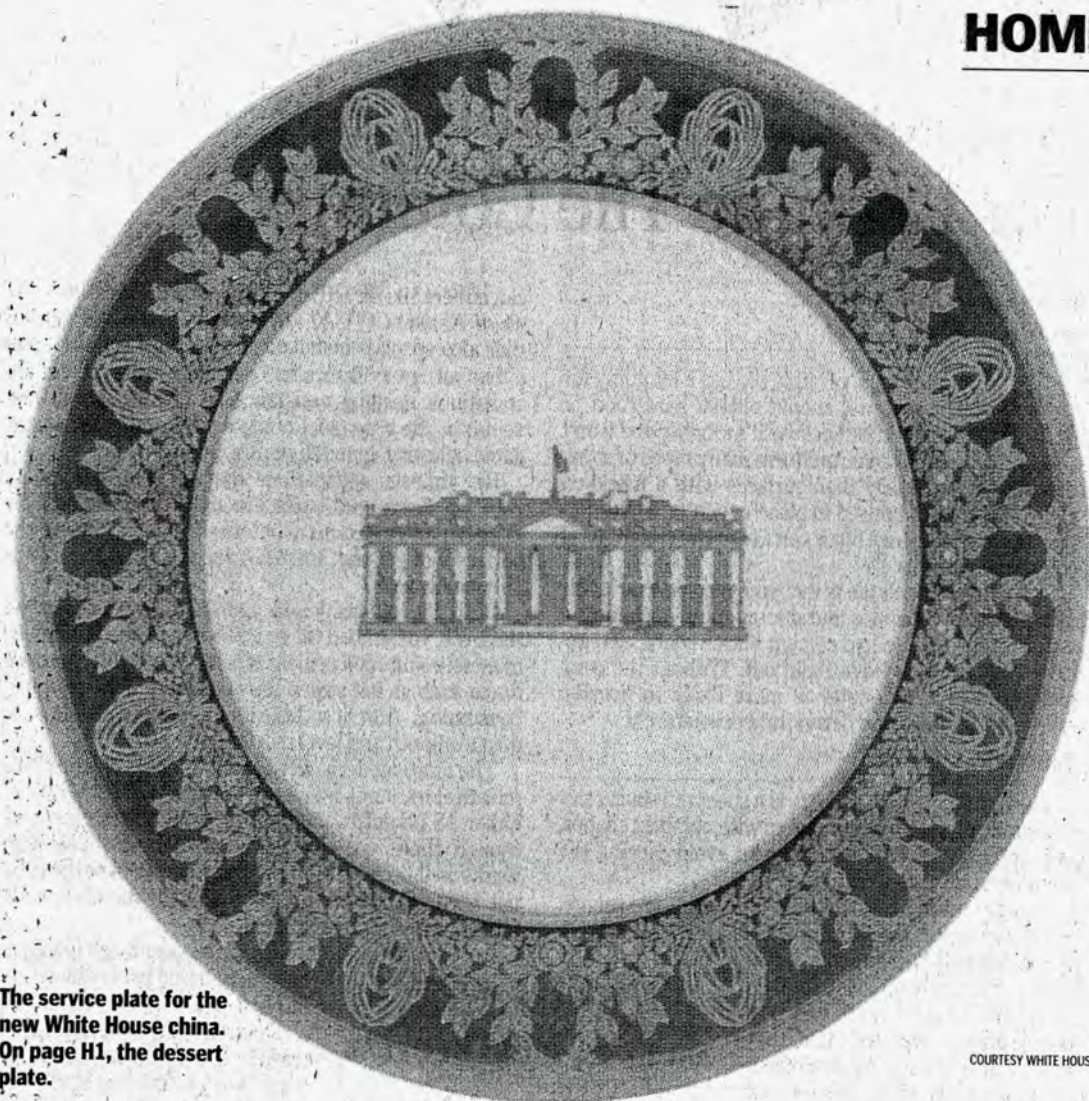
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HOMEFRONT



The service plate for the new White House china. On page H1, the dessert plate.

COURTESY WHITE HOUSE

Hillary Clinton's China Policy

In the midst of buying a house and running for Senate, multi-tasking First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton somehow found time to plan a White House china pattern. At tonight's gala dinner celebrating the 200th birthday of the White House, a new set of presidential china will be unveiled. Three former presidents and four former first ladies will be the first to enjoy their smoked loin of lamb on the just-unpacked Lenox yellow-banded dinner plates. The White House Historical Association, a private nonprofit organization, donated the \$240,000 service consisting of 300 12-piece place settings.

The concept for the design and color were Hillary Clinton's, said White House curator Betty Monkman. The service plate features a wide gold border with a raised 24-karat gold engraving of the White House in the center. The other pieces have a yellow border with a gilt outer edge and white enamel motifs drawn from architectural elements on the State Floor. The dinner plate border also includes an image of the White House north front; the south side adorns the dessert plate. This is the first time images of the White House have been featured on a state service.

Hillary Clinton has been working with Lenox for about a year, although it has been a closely guarded secret. The first lady is partial to yellow, and "there had

never been another official service that had used yellow in this way," said Monkman, who added that the new china was deemed necessary because of larger numbers at White House dinners. Tim Carder, vice president of design at Lenox, did most of the pattern's original sketches. "Mrs. Clinton was emphatic that she was looking for a beautiful service of china that in itself was free-standing," he said. Carder added that the pale lemon yellow complements the interior of the State Dining Room.

The last set of presidential china was chosen in 1982 by Nancy Reagan, who ordered 220 19-piece Lenox place settings in scarlet and gold. Nancy Reagan, who is not scheduled to attend tonight's dinner, drew public ire for extravagance, even though the \$210,399 bill was paid by a private foundation. Prior to that, the last White House pattern was Lady Bird Johnson's 1968 wildflower design from Tiffany & Co.

At tonight's dinner, only presidents and first ladies past and present will be served on the full place setting of the new Clinton service. The tables for the other 180 guests will be set only with the new service plates, because the rest of the order won't be delivered until December, just in time for the final holiday toasts of the outgoing administration.

Jura Koncius

Sexual politics takes on new meaning with the election of Hillary Clinton to the U.S. Senate. Lots of New York women thought she was a greedy opportunist who took advantage of her situation, but 60 percent of them voted for her.

There are lots of reasons why. Rick Lazio never gave them the male gravitas they sought. His boyish looks made him someone women wanted to adopt, not vote for. Hillary is a celebrity who brings glamour and reflected attention. In a liberal state she offers liberal promises. She has done her homework and clearly sees New York as the village with more opportunity than Washington (and certainly more than Little Rock). Who can blame her for wanting to move out and move on? Her timing was perfect.

But more important than anything else, which can't be measured in campaign statistics, is the fact that she represents a way for women to rebuke the smarmy behavior of Bill Clinton. They could rally around her in the waning days of his political power. If he was a lame duck, she was a spring chicken.

In one telling moment on the stage where she made her acceptance speech, the president tried to put his arm around her waist. She pushed it away and reached for Chelsea's hand. That gesture told us everything. She

Suzanne Fields, a columnist for The Washington Times, is nationally syndicated. Her column appears here Monday and Thursday.

Sexual politics squared

Hillary exploits Bill's follies

has overcome her humiliation and done it her way.

Years ago, I wrote that Hillary Clinton had made a pact with the devil, and the devil was Bill Clinton. That pact is still working for her, but in this scenario it's the devil himself who loses face. Anyone looking at the separate photographic images of Hillary and Bill sees a crucial difference. She's the radiant senator-elect, fashionable, wearing expensive clothes that suit her, finally with a hairdo that's chic and flattering. Her facial contours, suggesting that she's lost a little weight and maybe tinkered with her cosmetics, show her to be a pretty woman.

By contrast, Bill Clinton — think of the December cover of Esquire — reflects an inner decadence that has finally caught up with him. He not only cheated on his wife, he cheated on the American people. Monica Lewinsky, his toy in the pantry, made the issue of his character bigger than prosperity or any of his policies as the defining issue of the campaign. Monica was the albatross around Al Gore's neck.

After the sex scandal many outspoken radical feminists employed contorted logic to defend Bill Clinton because his public "pro-choice" position was more important to them than his despicable private behavior toward Hillary (or Monica). Few of these women would have stayed with a husband like Bill Clinton, but they weren't married to him and above all they didn't have her political ambitions.

If Hillary prospered as the victimized spouse, she used her sympathetic status with the finesse of a female Machiavelli. In fact, Hillary proved herself to be the equal of her husband as a campaigner, adept at using whatever it takes. At one black church, the stand-by-her man candidate told the congregation: "I

hope you know one thing about me: When I tell you I will stick with you, I will stick with you!" She is like a phoenix rising from the ashes of adultery.

As a team Bill and Hillary are hard to beat. The president deprived Rick Lazio of Rose Garden attention when he signed a bill sponsored by the con-

gressman for funding breast cancer screening, and Hillary told effective lies criticizing Mr. Lazio's work in breast cancer treatment.

The senator-elect pretends to be high-minded, but she takes the low road and gets away with speeding on

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it. Her ruthless attempt to get rid of the White House Travel Office, her failed health care initiative, her blatant blaming of the "vast right-wing conspiracy" for her husband's adultery, were only distracting bumps on the road to power. Until now she has done everything to enhance her husband's power. The long suffering wife no longer has to do that. She's endowed now with what author Gail Sheehy calls "menopausal zest." Senators, you've been warned.



Suzanne Fields

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Washington Final

Washington and Baltimore: Partly sunny and mild, high near 70. Tonight, fog late, low near 55. Tomorrow, turning cloudy with showers late, high 65-69. Weather map appears on Page A18.

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ONE DOLLAR

BUSH AND GORE IN EXTREMELY CLOSE RACE; HILLARY CLINTON WINS A SEAT IN THE SENATE

Divided to the Very End

*Each Candidate Dominates in His Party,
But Independent Voters Are Left Torn*

By R. W. APPLE Jr.

After all the dollars and debates, after all the ads and adjectives, the country still found it immensely difficult to make up its mind.

And so the race for the presidency, which had seemed to teeter on a knife edge for the last few weeks of the campaign, teetered a bit more as the polls closed across the country.

Surveys of voters leaving the polls showed Vice President Al Gore very narrowly ahead of Gov. George W. Bush of Texas in the popular vote, with the lead in most of the battleground states, and hence the Electoral College, swinging back and forth through the night. That left open the distinct possibility that the next president would take office without winning the popular vote.

Nonetheless, a few things were clear as the tabulation proceeded,

including these:

¶Neither of the candidates, for all their exertions, ever closed his deal with the American public. Each candidate won overwhelming majorities among voters in their own parties, but independent voters — the crucial quarter of the electorate that decides so many elections — split evenly.

¶In the final stages of the race, Mr. Bush faded. Among those who made up their minds in the last week, the surveys showed, slightly more than half went to Mr. Gore; among those who decided earlier, a bare majority ended up favoring Mr. Bush.

¶Mr. Bush, who announced early on that he was a compassionate conservative, did a good job of rubbing the rough edges off his ideology, a better job than his rival. Voters were more likely to see Mr. Gore's positions as too liberal than to see Mr. Bush's views as too far to the right.

¶To a degree difficult to quantify, President Clinton appeared to have been a drag on Mr. Gore's candidacy. Fully 60 percent of the voters interviewed from coast to coast, a startling figure, said they disliked Mr. Clinton as a person, whatever they thought of his policies. They said they will remember the president more for the scandals that plagued him than for anything else, and some of that seemed to rub off on Mr. Gore, whom voters found less honest and trustworthy than Mr. Bush.

Almost one voter in five said their vote had been cast to register opposition to Mr. Clinton.

Mr. Bush gained valuable support



After more than 30 hours of nonstop campaigning, Vice President Al Gore voted yesterday at Forks River Elementary School at Nashville. Gov. George W. Bush expressed optimism after voting in Austin, Tex.

First Lady Ends 16-Month Run With Victory

By ADAM NAGOURNEY

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Not since 1950, at least, had an election been so close going into the climactic hours, and as the results were being tabulated last night and early this morning, the suspense only grew. At one point, voter surveys projected that Mr. Bush was one percentage point ahead in the popular vote; at another point, they had him one point behind. At another point, all the major networks called Florida, a critical battleground, for Mr. Gore. But in a rare reversal, they declared two hours later that the state was too close to call.

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But party shifts were limited by the resilience of incumbents. All the changes were in open seats while sitting members generally withstood challenges.

The Democrats needed a net gain of seven seats to retake the House, which they also lost in 1994. They had been assured of one pickup — in California, where no Republican was running to succeed Representative Matthew Martinez. He became a Republican only last spring after losing the Democratic primary.

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For Clinton Faithful, Vindication Comes With a Groundbreaking Victory

By DEAN E. MURPHY

With Hillary Rodham Clinton winning the New York Senate race last night, the Democratic faithful were reveling in the big "V" at Mrs. Clinton's election night bash in Midtown Manhattan.

"V" for victory? Well, that too. But this "V" had even deeper meaning for the first lady's greatest defenders.

"The word is vindication," said the Rev. Donald G. Jones, who was Mrs. Clinton's pastor in Park Ridge, Ill., where she grew up. "I do think the right wing conspired to knock down both Bill and Hillary, and now she gets to stand on her own two feet."

To Mrs. Clinton's supporters, jammed into the Democratic Party's election night bash at the Grand Hyatt, issues that had tarnished her husband's presidency — impeachment, Whitewater, the White House travel office — were rendered irrelevant. "What is there to run away from?" said Kara Minar, who worked on the White House advance staff between 1993 and 1996 and is now a communication consultant. "There were some personal issues, but they were just that: personal. They had no reflection on their public service."

Representative Nita M. Lowey, the Westchester County Democrat who

had considered running before Mrs. Clinton entered the race, said: "She earned this seat. She really earned the respect of New Yorkers. The other questions are irrelevant now."

Allison Schechter, whose husband, Alan, was one of Mrs. Clinton's professors at Wellesley College, said she was overwhelmed by the Clinton victory.

"We've been in Tokyo, Seoul, Rome, Lisbon and Paris in the last month, and everywhere we go people would ask us, 'How could the American public not want her as senator?'" Mrs. Schechter said. "She brings such experience, especially to international affairs. Well, the electorate has spoken."

Shouts of jubilation filled the hotel lobby and ballroom when Mrs. Clinton's victory was projected by the television networks, and there was sustained applause when she took her place on the stage with President Clinton and their daughter, Chelsea.

Careful to give credit for her victory to the many New York Democrats who rallied to her side, Mrs. Clinton hugged and kissed a number of officials and even joked about the six black pantsuits she wore out in the course of the campaign (she wore teal last night). She made a special effort to praise Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, who along with

Senator Charles E. Schumer, joined her family on stage. Mr. Moynihan, for his part, did little to warm up the crowd with his introduction, saying tersely: "Do you want to hear from our next senator, Hillary Clinton? So do I."

It took most of the evening to fill the ballroom because of long lines, spilling down the stairways, at the Secret Service security checkpoints. Once the crowds pushed their way into the party area, which was splashed with red, white and blue balloons, most people were drawn to the television sets in the side rooms, where the networks were following the presidential contest.

It was not that Mrs. Clinton's win was unimportant, Shakil Quazi said, but a Republican victory at the national level would make her job all the more difficult.

"I can't live anywhere where it is red now," said Mr. Quazi, a job-seeking investment portfolio manager, referring to a map on CBS that showed support for Gov. George W. Bush of Texas in red. "I had a job opportunity in Indiana, but there is no way I'm going there now."

By the time Mrs. Clinton arrived, though, Mr. Quazi and the thousands of other guests had turned their attention to center stage, where an emotional first lady thanked her hus-

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band, daughter, mother and brothers as the Clinton political torch was passed from the president to the first lady. The president, his eyes filled with tears, stood at the back of the stage as his wife was introduced as Senator-elect Clinton.

Most everyone in the ballroom last night was fixated on the notion that they were sharing a rare moment in American history.

Mrs. Clinton's bid for the Senate marked the biggest political leap for a first lady since President Harry Truman offered Eleanor Roosevelt the post of America's first delegate to the United Nations more than a half-century ago.

At Mrs. Clinton's final campaign rally in Midtown Manhattan on Monday night, Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, who had been mostly absent during Mrs. Clinton's 16-month quest for the Senate, was given center stage to pay her the highest com-

pliment he could muster.

"Eleanor Roosevelt would have loved Hillary Clinton," said Mr. Moynihan, who knew Mrs. Roosevelt. "If she were alive today, she would be on this platform."

But yesterday the spotlight was focused on one of the many differences between Mrs. Clinton and Mrs. Roosevelt: Mrs. Clinton's effort to seek elected office. The wife of Franklin Delano Roosevelt rejected suggestions by her husband's advisers that she run for political office, while the wife of William Jefferson Clinton embraced similar ones.

Mrs. Clinton moved to New York and, in keeping with her bookish reputation, set out across the state on a "listening tour," ultimately visiting all 62 counties and becoming familiar with some of the state's most parochial obsessions. She formally declared her candidacy in February.

That Mrs. Clinton had made the bumpy transition from first lady to New York personality was evident yesterday morning when Mrs. Clinton, her daughter, Chelsea, and President Clinton cast their ballots in Chappaqua. As the first family stepped outside the Douglas G. Graflin Elementary School, they were approached by four women wearing "Hillary" masks and blonde wigs. They carried a sign: "New York

Blondes are fully pumped for Hillary."

The president called the women "the clone patrol," and within moments, Mrs. Clinton was posing, face-to-rubber-masks, for an all-smiles group photo.

During the campaign, Mrs. Clinton was not always so relaxed, nor was she always so comfortable sharing the limelight with her husband. Asked last week about reports that Vice President Al Gore had intentionally shunned the president in his presidential campaign, Mrs. Clinton said she understood Mr. Gore's difficulty in trying to break free from her husband's larger-than-life presence. She said that she struggled with the same issues in her campaign.

Mrs. Clinton and her staff members spent most of the last week of her campaign displaying a growing confidence. On Monday, Mrs. Clinton did not even mention Representative Rick A. Lazio, her opponent. She addressed audiences from Buffalo to Albany using the vocabulary of a winner, talking about future return trips to upstate and specific projects she intended to pursue. The standard stump line slipped into, "When I am in the United States Senate," from the previous, "If I have the honor of representing you in the United States Senate."

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By August, Mrs. Clinton, the president and Chelsea Clinton were house-hunting in Westchester County — witnesses at one stop reported that the president got tired of being dragged around by the women and

A political race with enough plot twists for Broadway.

wandered out the back door in search of neighbors to talk to — and "vacationing" in the circuslike atmosphere of Skaneateles, the Finger Lakes resort town. Theoretically rested up, Mrs. Clinton embarked on the fall campaign as an unofficial candidate with a series of blunders, most spectacularly kissing Suha Arafat, the wife of the Palestinian leader. By November, with speculation that she might drop out of the race, Mrs. Clinton flew to New York to announce that she would announce.

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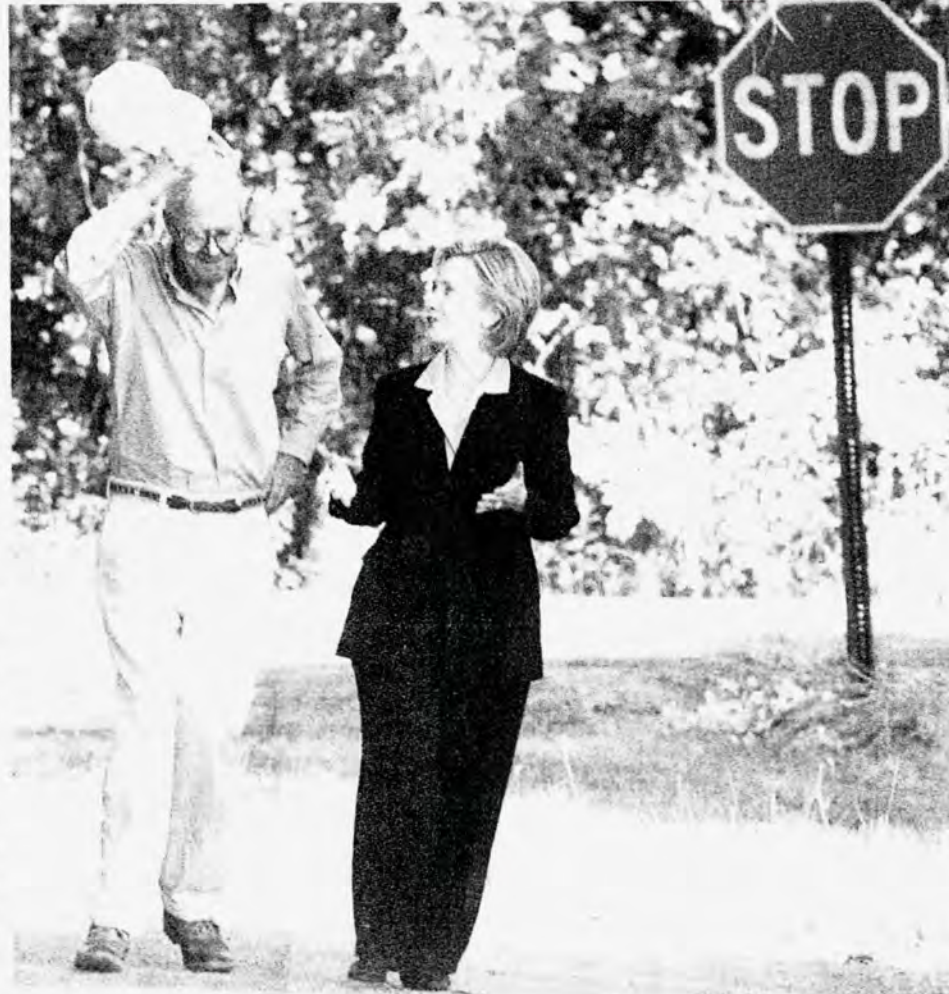
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On April 20, the mayor's wife, Donna Hanover, announced that she would star in "The Vagina Monologues," the Off Broadway hit in which she was to simulate moans of different kinds of women having orgasms. A week later, the mayor announced he had prostate cancer. Four days after that, Ms. Hanover cited "family circumstances" and said she was postponing her role in "The Vagina Monologues."

Two days later, Mr. Giuliani acknowledged that he had a "very good friend," Judith Nathan. A week after that, Mr. Giuliani announced at a news conference that he was separating from Ms. Hanover. But he did not tell his wife, who learned of the news when friends called and told her to turn on the television, where Mr. Giuliani's news conference was in instant replay all day long.

Less than two weeks later, on May 19, Mr. Giuliani withdrew from the Senate race he had never officially entered in a riveting, emotional news conference at City Hall. He cited his health, although a close friend later said that his marriage was a major factor. A reporter asked at the end if he was closer to God. "I hope he's closer to me," the newly reflective mayor responded.

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A VISIT TO THE FARM

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Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, who arrived at 8:15 a.m. to vote at the Richard Green School on East 88th Street in Manhattan, waited in line for 30 minutes.

"I thought it could be organized a little better," he told reporters after he finally emerged from the booth.

It was not the only place where there was a crowd. Around lunchtime at the Dewitt Rehabilitation and Nursing Center on East 79th Street and Third Avenue, about 80 voters were waiting, sharing an entrance with elderly patients in wheelchairs and on gurneys. "It's chaotic," said Brian Scheur, a nursing home official. "I'm trying to take care of my patients here while all these people come in and out."

Elsewhere, there were the usual tales of things that can go wrong on Election Day. Voters, poll workers and poll watchers complained of one- and two-hour waits, overcrowding, inaccurate translations and poorly trained election inspectors. Seventy repairmen worked all day to fix numerous broken voting machines.

Daniel DeFrancesco, the executive director of the city's Board of Elections, acknowledged that at times yesterday, some polling stations had neither working machines nor emergency paper ballots. "We anticipated a heavy turnout, but never this heavy," he said.

But Gene Russianoff, a senior lawyer with the New York Public Interest Research Group who had been fielding complaints since shortly after the polls opened at 6 a.m., said the board should have been better prepared. "It's not like the weather," he said. "They knew it was coming."

At Public School 34 in Greenpoint,

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Taking Her Next Political Step, First Lady Is Elected to Office in a Victory Over Lazio

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brief if very bright flare, hers was as long and exhausting as any that has taken place in New York: The first lady's acceptance speech last night came 489 days after Mrs. Clinton flew to the Pindars Corners, N.Y., farm of Daniel Patrick Moynihan, the retiring Democrat that she was seeking to replace, to announce her candidacy to a mob of hundreds of reporters.

For all that, though, the end of the campaign last night, with Mr. Lazio standing in for Mr. Giuliani, had long lost the crackle that was found at Mr. Moynihan's farm on a warm July afternoon, and through much of the first 11 months of what had promised to be a contest between a strong-willed mayor and first lady. The networks called the race by 9 p.m., and by 9:30 p.m., in the ballroom at the Grand Hyatt hotel, where Mrs. Clinton's supporters had gathered, Democrats had moved to the television monitors at the side of the room to follow the returns in the race for president.

Mrs. Clinton and President Clinton watched the results at her hotel suite in Midtown.

Mr. Lazio's supporters seemed startled throughout the day by wave after wave of surveys of voters leaving the polls that signaled that their candidate, making his first run for statewide office, might be heading for a fairly sizable loss. Seeking to explain the defeat, even before Mr. Lazio had actually conceded, they noted that Democrats hold a two-million-vote edge in New York, and that Vice President Al Gore, the Democratic candidate for president, seemed to be winning by a large margin over George W. Bush in New York, according to the survey of voters leaving the polls.

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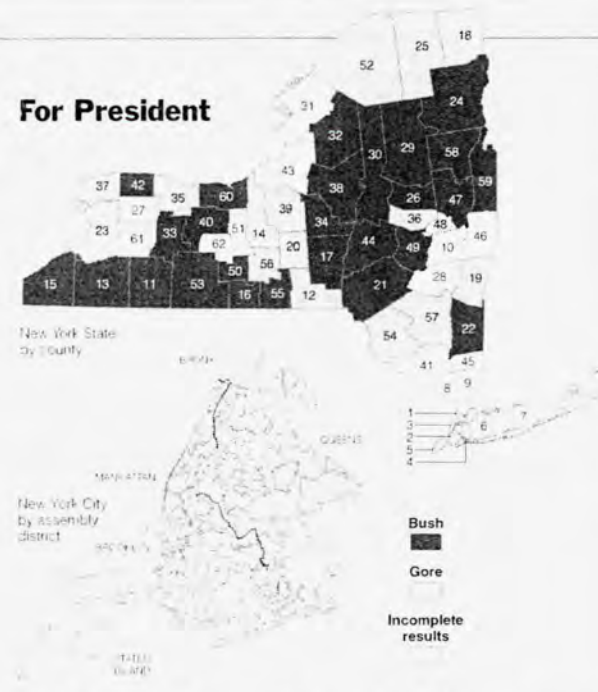
NEW YORK VOTES

For U.S. Senator



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1	Brooklyn	64%	151,129 (54%)	26,374 (15%)	1,413 (1%)
2	Brooklyn	62%	237,431 (72%)	86,336 (26%)	4,083 (1%)
3	Manhattan	73%	290,976 (79%)	72,814 (20%)	6,007 (2%)
4	Queens	69%	232,140 (68%)	105,420 (31%)	3,731 (1%)
5	Staten Island	60%	31,725 (41%)	44,364 (58%)	945 (1%)
N.Y.C. total		66%	946,401 (73%)	339,528 (26%)	16,842 (1%)
6	Nassau	47%	113,555 (44%)	141,956 (55%)	1,201 (0%)
7	Suffolk	39%	87,931 (41%)	127,146 (59%)	1,227 (1%)
9	Westchester	54%	93,667 (51%)	90,457 (49%)	1,168 (1%)
8	Rockland	52%	27,205 (48%)	28,306 (51%)	859 (2%)
Suburbs total		47%	322,361 (45%)	388,525 (54%)	4,455 (1%)
10	Albany	56%	45,303 (59%)	31,682 (41%)	165 (0%)
11	Allegany	68%	3,686 (37%)	6,116 (61%)	221 (2%)
12	Briarcliff	92%	34,009 (48%)	34,741 (49%)	1,607 (2%)
13	Cattaraugus	100%	13,029 (42%)	17,269 (55%)	859 (3%)
14	Cayuga	3%	449 (45%)	514 (52%)	25 (3%)
15	Chautauqua	94%	4,692 (44%)	5,685 (54%)	209 (2%)
16	Chemung	100%	15,302 (44%)	18,886 (54%)	525 (2%)
17	Chenango	100%	2,963 (43%)	10,307 (55%)	453 (3%)
18	Clinton	75%	12,190 (48%)	12,833 (50%)	577 (2%)
19	Columbia	100%	11,629 (44%)	13,876 (53%)	821 (3%)
20	Cortland	100%	8,982 (47%)	9,741 (51%)	435 (2%)
21	Delaware	100%	7,248 (39%)	10,677 (58%)	467 (2%)
22	Dutchess	71%	29,931 (41%)	41,460 (57%)	1,598 (2%)
23	Essex	76%	166,565 (55%)	133,733 (44%)	4,961 (2%)
24	Franklin	100%	8,610 (41%)	9,167 (43%)	441 (3%)
25	Franklin	100%	7,904 (50%)	7,503 (48%)	300 (2%)

For President



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1	Brooklyn	71%	23,468 (12%)	171,444 (86%)	564 (0%)	3,758 (1%)
2	Brooklyn	67%	63,958 (16%)	279,149 (78%)	1,073 (0%)	10,721 (3%)
3	Manhattan	77%	54,514 (14%)	311,700 (79%)	1,873 (0%)	22,252 (6%)
4	Queens	75%	88,332 (23%)	293,225 (74%)	1,541 (0%)	9,393 (2%)
5	Staten Island	67%	40,277 (45%)	45,541 (51%)	415 (0%)	2,293 (3%)
N.Y.C. total		72%	270,609 (19%)	1,091,059 (77%)	5,466 (0%)	47,417 (3%)
6	Nassau	47%	102,122 (39%)	149,917 (58%)	1,304 (1%)	6,425 (2%)
7	Suffolk	39%	95,077 (44%)	114,784 (53%)	1,352 (1%)	6,532 (3%)
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12	Briarcliff	92%	32,380 (43%)	39,289 (52%)	337 (0%)	3,354 (4%)
13	Cattaraugus	100%	17,212 (55%)	12,735 (40%)	361 (1%)	1,005 (3%)
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17	Chenango	100%	9,508 (50%)	9,471 (45%)	103 (1%)	516 (4%)
18	Clinton	75%	11,586 (44%)	13,292 (50%)	262 (1%)	973 (4%)
19	Columbia	100%	9,990 (46%)	10,213 (47%)	78 (0%)	1,227 (6%)
20	Cortland	100%	9,210 (47%)	9,212 (47%)	149 (1%)	867 (5%)
21	Delaware	100%	9,930 (53%)	7,747 (42%)	111 (1%)	753 (4%)
22	Dutchess	71%	35,106 (47%)	34,411 (46%)	417 (1%)	3,672 (5%)
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ki's suggestion that he could have dropped out sooner "of course presumes I would have figured out that I had cancer sooner. In a way, I wish I had figured out I had got cancer sooner so I would have been able to deal with it earlier. I took the PSA test when I took it and I dropped out within three weeks of being diagnosed with cancer, which I think is about as fast as any human being can make a decision like that."

Both Mr. Giuliani and Mrs. Pataki were standing at Mr. Lazio's side during his concession speech last night.

And finally, Mr. Lazio's aides yesterday suggested that at least some of the blame lay with William D. Powers, the state Republican chairman, for organizing a telephone advocacy campaign two weeks ago that sought to link Mrs. Clinton to the fatal terrorist attack on the destroyer Cole. It took Mr. Lazio nearly four days to renounce the tactic; by then, Mrs. Clinton's advisers had produced a television advertisement that attacked Mr. Lazio for the telephone campaign.

Mr. Lazio's advisers said their polls found that that line of attack was undercutting his candidacy, particularly as it became the focus of the back-and-forth between the two candidates.

But the survey of voters leaving the polls suggested that Mrs. Clinton deserved credit for the way she had won her campaign — particularly her decision to build upon what Charles E. Schumer had done in defeating Mr. D'Amato and campaigning heavily in upstate New York, historically a solidly Republican region. The survey yesterday suggested that the strategy had paid off: Republicans needed to win the region by 10 points to counteract the Democratic edge in New York, and Mr. Lazio did not seem close to approaching that margin.

"I'll tell you: Between my campaign and her campaign, we have changed the landscape of New York," Senator Schumer said last night. "Upstate is no longer a Republican treasure trove."

At the same time, Mrs. Clinton made an energetic effort in the closing days of the campaign to pump up turnout in New York City, particularly among black voters, who polls showed overwhelmingly supported her campaign. She visited black churches in New York and in urban

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The Democratic registration edge notwithstanding, Republicans have done well in the state, notably Gov. George E. Pataki, who is now serving his second term as governor. And Mr. Lazio has had no problem raising money; he was deluged with contributions from across the country, as contributors simply moved from Mr. Giuliani to Mr. Lazio when the name of the Republican opponent to Mrs. Clinton changed.

By Oct. 18, the latest filing deadline with the Federal Election Commission, Mr. Lazio had spent \$33 million over five months — compared with the \$26 million Mrs. Clinton spent in 16 months. The candidates spent several million dollars more in the final weeks of a contest that, including Mr. Giuliani, turned out to be the most expensive Senate race in history.

Recriminations over Mr. Lazio's defeat began even before the polls closed. Several Republican officials said that Mr. Lazio and his advisers had made a series of strategic mistakes from the beginning. They complained that he neglected to campaign upstate over the summer, thus allowing Mrs. Clinton to build a big lead there, and let day after day go by without offering an argument for his own candidacy.

One Republican contended that Mr. Lazio had wasted time by fighting Mrs. Clinton to agree to a limit on the use of so-called soft money contributions. Polls during the campaign found that while voters liked the idea, and credited Mr. Lazio for it, it did not sway many. Many said that Mr. Lazio had never recovered from the moment at his first debate when he marched over to Mrs. Clinton on the other side of the stage and demanded that she sign a pledge renouncing the use of soft-money. Mr. Lazio's aides insisted that the

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19	Columbia	100%	11,629 (44%)	13,676 (53%)	821 (3%)	83%	9,960 (46%)	10,213 (47%)	78 (0%)	1,327 (6%)
20	Cortland	100%	8,362 (47%)	9,741 (51%)	435 (2%)	100%	9,216 (47%)	9,212 (47%)	140 (1%)	987 (5%)
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25	Franklin	100%	7,904 (50%)	7,503 (48%)	300 (2%)	100%	7,197 (45%)	8,085 (50%)	144 (1%)	589 (4%)
26	Fulton	100%	8,230 (41%)	11,427 (57%)	372 (2%)	100%	11,042 (53%)	8,668 (43%)	101 (0%)	628 (3%)
27	Genesee	26%	2,489 (41%)	3,183 (59%)	0 (0%)	36%	5,352 (59%)	3,208 (36%)	94 (1%)	295 (3%)
28	Greene	60%	4,104 (38%)	6,391 (60%)	244 (2%)	60%	5,660 (52%)	4,542 (42%)	99 (1%)	514 (5%)
29	Hamilton	100%	259 (30%)	2,129 (66%)	119 (4%)	100%	2,079 (64%)	931 (29%)	22 (1%)	117 (4%)
30	Herkimer	100%	10,938 (44%)	13,643 (54%)	556 (2%)	100%	12,964 (51%)	11,192 (44%)	188 (1%)	884 (3%)
31	Jefferson	48%	7,272 (44%)	7,785 (47%)	1,404 (9%)	48%	8,122 (51%)	7,267 (45%)	64 (0%)	449 (3%)
32	Lewis	80%	3,028 (39%)	4,282 (55%)	508 (6%)	100%	5,569 (56%)	3,942 (40%)	73 (1%)	262 (3%)
33	Livingston	100%	9,548 (38%)	14,843 (59%)	584 (2%)	100%	14,269 (56%)	9,843 (39%)	202 (1%)	994 (4%)
34	Madison	100%	10,510 (42%)	14,547 (56%)	589 (2%)	100%	13,639 (52%)	11,091 (42%)	198 (1%)	999 (4%)
35	Monroe	85%	122,160 (47%)	132,461 (51%)	4,914 (2%)	86%	120,507 (45%)	132,531 (50%)	1,705 (1%)	9,470 (4%)
36	Montgomery	100%	9,273 (48%)	9,781 (50%)	367 (2%)	100%	9,257 (47%)	9,742 (49%)	129 (1%)	447 (2%)
37	Niagara	84%	35,740 (51%)	33,472 (48%)	1,295 (2%)	84%	31,326 (44%)	35,949 (51%)	597 (1%)	2,524 (4%)
38	Oneida	64%	25,603 (43%)	33,215 (55%)	1,233 (2%)	94%	41,801 (49%)	36,729 (46%)	823 (1%)	2,541 (3%)
39	Onondaga	100%	99,568 (52%)	86,434 (45%)	4,927 (3%)	100%	77,646 (41%)	102,270 (54%)	1,456 (1%)	7,309 (4%)
40	Ontario	100%	17,716 (42%)	24,056 (56%)	909 (2%)	100%	21,767 (51%)	18,442 (44%)	242 (1%)	1,639 (4%)
41	Orange	50%	22,137 (41%)	31,193 (58%)	469 (1%)	50%	26,468 (49%)	25,978 (48%)	291 (1%)	1,658 (3%)
42	Orleans	57%	4,042 (40%)	6,001 (59%)	177 (2%)	77%	6,703 (55%)	4,440 (35%)	79 (1%)	347 (3%)
43	Oswego	0%	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0%	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
44	Otsego	100%	10,278 (44%)	12,317 (53%)	626 (3%)	100%	11,295 (48%)	10,656 (45%)	96 (0%)	1,300 (6%)
45	Putnam	33%	2,726 (25%)	4,904 (63%)	132 (2%)	33%	6,966 (53%)	5,590 (43%)	71 (1%)	491 (4%)
46	Rensselaer	57%	10,664 (51%)	15,165 (48%)	79 (0%)	57%	13,594 (43%)	16,470 (52%)	187 (1%)	1,522 (5%)
47	Saratoga	15%	5,111 (45%)	5,901 (53%)	257 (2%)	73%	32,461 (49%)	29,266 (45%)	240 (0%)	2,786 (4%)
48	Schenectady	91%	27,653 (50%)	26,675 (49%)	774 (1%)	91%	22,938 (42%)	29,349 (53%)	273 (0%)	2,215 (4%)
49	Schoharie	100%	4,764 (39%)	7,130 (55%)	359 (3%)	100%	8,351 (55%)	4,930 (33%)	60 (0%)	439 (4%)
50	Schuyler	100%	3,691 (40%)	4,326 (58%)	165 (2%)	100%	4,084 (54%)	3,067 (40%)	43 (1%)	349 (5%)
51	Seneca	0%	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0%	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
52	St. Lawrence	100%	19,525 (63%)	15,464 (42%)	1,779 (5%)	100%	15,290 (41%)	19,982 (54%)	105 (1%)	1,375 (4%)
53	Steuben	100%	13,267 (36%)	22,579 (62%)	843 (2%)	100%	22,386 (59%)	13,659 (36%)	230 (1%)	1,137 (3%)
54	Sullivan	97%	10,840 (45%)	13,715 (52%)	564 (2%)	67%	9,920 (45%)	10,922 (50%)	123 (1%)	881 (4%)
55	Tioga	100%	7,727 (38%)	12,339 (60%)	390 (2%)	100%	11,422 (54%)	8,569 (41%)	93 (0%)	794 (4%)
56	Tompkins	100%	20,446 (57%)	14,964 (40%)	1,132 (3%)	100%	12,330 (34%)	19,742 (54%)	106 (0%)	4,122 (11%)
57	Ulster	39%	13,943 (51%)	13,297 (49%)	0 (0%)	36%	30,696 (43%)	34,177 (48%)	341 (0%)	5,091 (7%)
58	Warren	70%	7,343 (40%)	10,564 (58%)	363 (2%)	100%	13,356 (52%)	11,140 (43%)	100 (0%)	1,069 (4%)
59	Washington	100%	8,542 (36%)	14,455 (61%)	743 (3%)	100%	11,566 (53%)	8,962 (41%)	125 (1%)	913 (4%)
60	Wayne	91%	12,170 (39%)	15,618 (59%)	631 (2%)	91%	17,791 (56%)	12,494 (40%)	250 (1%)	968 (3%)
61	Wyoming	0%	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0%	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
62	Yates	15%	555 (42%)	762 (57%)	20 (1%)	15%	714 (53%)	573 (43%)	7 (1%)	47 (3%)
Upstate total		75%	952,428 (47%)	1,011,558 (50%)	41,158 (2%)	80%	999,813 (45%)	1,076,632 (49%)	14,659 (1%)	92,048 (4%)
Total		66%	2,223,190 (55%)	1,739,611 (43%)	62,455 (2%)	70%	1,563,960 (36%)	2,573,966 (59%)	23,968 (1%)	160,263 (4%)

congressman, making his first run for statewide office, had acted on his own in making a gesture that both sides said gave the first lady a much-needed boost among women voters.

While state Republican leaders were blaming Mr. Lazio yesterday, Libby Pataki, the governor's wife, said in an early morning radio interview that at least some of the fault lay with Mr. Giuliani, for the way he handled his exit from the race. Mrs. Pataki, who had been campaigning

with Patricia Lazio lately around the state, told WROW-AM radio in Albany that the mayor "hung around way too long."

"He was just jerking people," Mrs. Pataki said of Mr. Giuliani. "It was terribly unfair."

"I was very disappointed by the selfish behavior on his part," Mrs. Pataki added. "It was time Rick Lazio could have used. It did hurt to have the mayor being so wishy-washy about his decision."

Guy V. Molinari, the Staten Island borough president and a chief adviser to Mr. Giuliani, responded by suggesting that the governor's wife was trying to make the mayor a scapegoat for what was looming as the second major embarrassment for Mr. Powers and the Republican Party in two years, following the defeat of Alfonse M. D'Amato in 1998 for a fourth term in the Senate.

"I couldn't believe that on election morning, the governor's wife would

make such statements," Mr. Molinari said. "I had prostate cancer. Maybe he would be there to understand what it's like, but this guy is in pain, and he is suffering from fatigue, and despite that, he has gone all over the state for Lazio."

And Mr. Giuliani also disputed Mrs. Pataki's assertion, saying that he did "everything I could possibly do, everything the campaign wanted."

Mr. Giuliani said that Mrs. Pata-

but the survey of voters leaving the polls suggested that Mrs. Clinton deserved credit for the way she had won her campaign — particularly her decision to build upon what Charles E. Schumer had done in defeating Mr. D'Amato and campaigning heavily in upstate New York, historically a solidly Republican region. The survey yesterday suggested that the strategy had paid off: Republicans needed to win the region by 10 points to counteract the Democratic edge in New York, and Mr. Lazio did not seem close to approaching that margin.

"I'll tell you: Between my campaign and her campaign, we have changed the landscape of New York," Senator Schumer said last night. "Upstate is no longer a Republican treasure trove."

At the same time, Mrs. Clinton made an energetic effort in the closing days of the campaign to pump up turnout in New York City, particularly among black voters, who polls showed overwhelmingly supported her campaign. She visited black churches, in New York and in urban areas upstate, almost every Sunday morning since Labor Day.

And she pledged her allegiance to the state's powerful labor unions from the moment she arrived in the state, building an alliance with, in particular, the health care and the teachers' unions, both of which are renowned in New York for their ability to turn out the vote. The evidence of that could be found on the streets of New York yesterday, where on corner after corner, labor union members dressed in hats, jackets, and wearing buttons reading "Gore-Lieberman-Hillary" handed out literature urging voters to make their way to the polls.

And by all appearances, get out to the polls they did, particularly in New York. The state Board of Elections reported that turnout appeared to be particularly heavy in the city, though average in the suburbs, and that report was reflected in anecdotal accounts provided by voters throughout the day.

There was no shortage of suggestions yesterday about things Mr. Lazio had done wrong, from politicians and rank-and-file voters. Representative Charles B. Rangel, the Harlem Democrat who was among the first Democrats to advocate Mrs. Clinton as a potential candidate for office, said on the cable channel NY1 that Mr. Lazio's worst step was failing to condemn the calls that Mr. Powers orchestrated linking the first lady to the attack on the Cole. "That's the kind of things that all associates should want to disassociate themselves from," Mr. Rangel said.

At the polls in Brooklyn, Joyce Gordon, 63, said she voted for Mrs. Clinton because she was distressed at the way Mr. Lazio behaved in a debate with the first lady. "At first I wasn't going to vote for her, but during the debate he acted like a spoiled little brat, like a teenage boy who couldn't get his way," she said.

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THE YEAR

Clinton's Singular Odyssey Defied Rules of Normal Races

By ELISABETH BUMILLER

It was the Senate campaign of the century, but it sounded at first like a joke. Back in October 1998, in the middle of impeachment — and before the last New York Senate race even ended — Representative Charles B. Rangel of Harlem teasingly told Hillary Rodham Clinton in a church in Chicago that she should be the next candidate from New York. “She said, ‘Who would want me to run there?’” Mr. Rangel recalled this week. “But she had a twinkle in her eye. And I knew then this was more than a joke with her.”

From that point on, the campaign of a first lady against two dizzyingly different men — the famous, irascible mayor of the nation’s most chaotic city and a little-known congressman from a tidy corner of Long Island — defied all the normal narrative rules of a political campaign. “You will never see a race like this again,” Senator Charles E. Schumer said.

The first lady’s campaign was never just about polling and issues. For that matter, it was never just about politics. It was also about redemption, ambition and passion, played out by one character who saw the race in part as the road to a new life and another who abruptly faced his own mortality. The subtext was first about one marriage, then another, and, in a way, a third.

“We loved watching it, because we loved good theater,” said Rocco Landesman, the Broadway producer who said this week that if he ever put the 2000 New York Senate campaign on the stage, he would call it simply “Love and Power” — the two subjects at its core.

The first act opened in the winter of 1999, when the first lady of the United States, responding to clamoring New York Democrats threatened by the potential candidacy of Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani, issued a brief statement from the White House that she was giving “careful thought” to a Senate race. The resulting frenzy included jubilation from Democrats and the New York press, but the overriding reaction was disbelief. On one thing everyone was in agreement: neither candidate would dare make an issue of the other’s sometimes troubled marriage.

Mr. Giuliani responded with glee, saying that he would relish a fight with the first lady. He also pledged — on Feb. 21, 1999 — that he would not attack Mrs. Clinton for never having lived in New York. This promise lasted about as long as it took Mrs. Clinton to fly up to New York and whisper into the ear of Rudy Crew, the New York City schools chancellor who was fast becoming

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ing a principal nemesis of the mayor.

With Mrs. Clinton perhaps operating on the principle that the enemy of my enemy is my friend, the resulting picture of the cozy twosome taken at the New York Public Library in April was one of the more absorbing images of the New York spring.

By July, Mrs. Clinton had begun her much ridiculed "listening tour" in the hayfield of Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, the retiring institution, who walked her down the road of his farm to a gantlet of press like a father giving away a bride. Although Mr. Giuliani could not match the 200 reporters from around the world who flocked to cover Mrs. Clinton, he responded later that month by traveling to the Clintons' home state, Arkansas, where he visited the Republican governor, Mike Huckabee, in the Clintons' old home and stood by while Mr. Huckabee not-so-subtly announced: "He's never been here before, he's never worked here, he's never lived here. Today he will be announcing his candidacy for some significant major office in Arkansas, we're told."

By August, Mrs. Clinton, the president and Chelsea Clinton were house-hunting in Westchester County — witnesses at one stop reported that the president got tired of being dragged around by the women and

long road trip across New York while the mayor stayed parked at City Hall — so comfortably that upstate Republican leaders began bellowing, as one put it anonymously, that "somebody needs to light a fire under his backside."

By March, Mr. Giuliani could not go anywhere at all, mired as he was in the furor over his angry reaction to the police shooting of an unarmed black man, Patrick M. Dorismond. When Mrs. Clinton accused the mayor of racially polarizing New York City, Mr. Giuliani curiously responded with more psychiatric analysis: Mrs. Clinton, he said, was engaged in "a process called projection in psychology," which "means accusing someone of what you're doing." Republicans began openly worrying that the mayor did not have the temperament for the race.

By April, when Mr. Giuliani unapologetically canceled four upstate political events to attend the Yankees' rescheduled home opener, Republicans began worrying that he did not have the fire for the race. But their concerns were soon overtaken by an extraordinary public unraveling of the once-private mayor's personal life.

On April 20, the mayor's wife, Donna Hanover, announced that she would star in "The Vagina Monologues," the Off Broadway hit in which she was to simulate moans of different kinds of women having orgasms. A week later, the mayor announced he had prostate cancer. Four days after that, Ms. Hanover cited "family circumstances" and said she was postponing her role in "The Vagina Monologues."

Two days later, Mr. Giuliani acknowledged that he had a "very good friend," Judith Nathan. A week after that, Mr. Giuliani announced at a news conference that he was separating from Ms. Hanover. But he did not tell his wife, who learned of the news when friends called and told her to turn on the television, where Mr. Giuliani's news conference was in instant replay all day long.

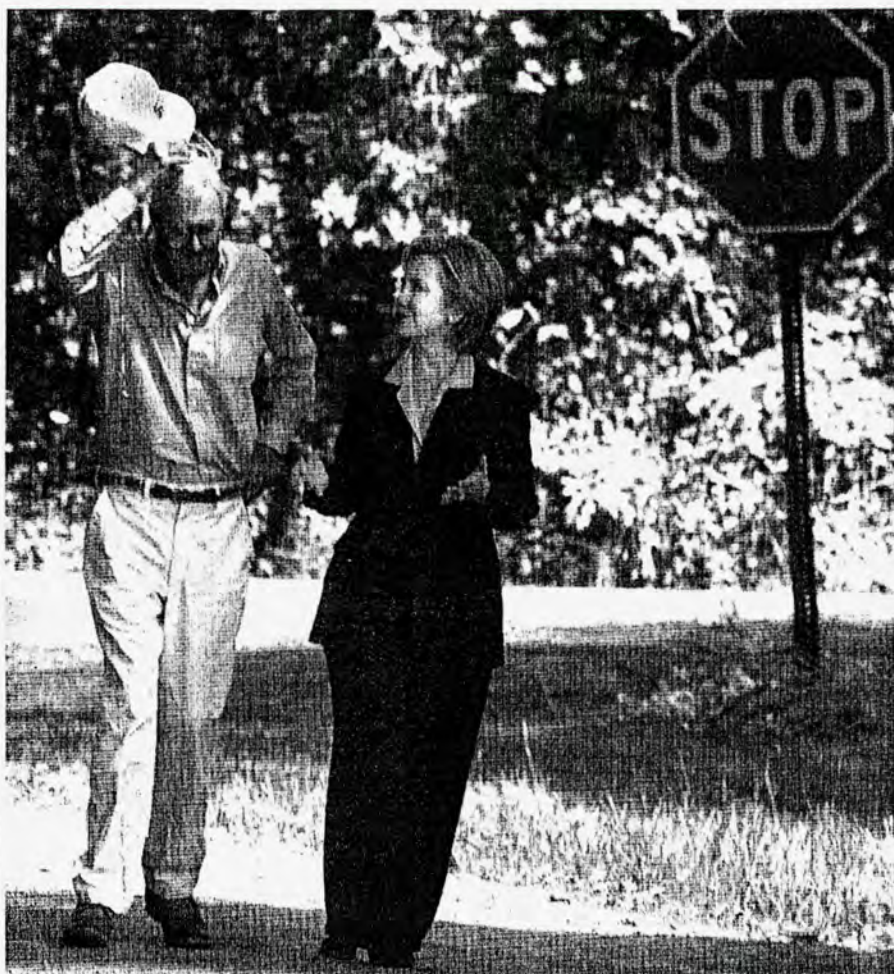
Less than two weeks later, on May 19, Mr. Giuliani withdrew from the Senate race he had never officially entered in a riveting, emotional news conference at City Hall. He cited his health, although a close friend later said that his marriage was a major factor. A reporter asked at the end if he was closer to God. "I hope he's closer to me," the newly reflective mayor responded.

Representative Rick A. Lazio of Suffolk County, who had been impatiently waiting in the wings for more than a year, declared his candidacy the next day. He immediately began an attack on Mrs. Clinton, then fell and split his lip in a Memorial Day parade.

No longer a battle of the titans, the drama of the campaign now centered on whether the eager young man with the happy marriage and two children could slay the White House beast. Privately, Mrs. Clinton's campaign staff said they missed their daily attacks on the big game, the mayor.

The campaign settled into the summer haze, then picked up with the first debate, on Sept. 13, when the nice young man strode over to Mrs. Clinton's side of the stage, waved a piece of paper and demanded that she sign it as a pledge to disavow the use of soft money in her campaign. Women especially were taken aback by what many saw as the aggressive behavior of Mr. Lazio. Mrs. Clinton said he reminded her of her little brothers.

The last two weeks of the cam-



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A political race with enough plot twists for Broadway.

wandered out the back door in search of neighbors to talk to — and "vacationing" in the circuslike atmosphere of Skaneateles, the Finger Lakes resort town. Theoretically rested up, Mrs. Clinton embarked on the fall campaign as an unofficial candidate with a series of blunders, most spectacularly kissing Suha Arafat, the wife of the Palestinian leader. By November, with speculation that she might drop out of the race, Mrs. Clinton flew to New York to announce that she would announce.

That finally occurred at the beginning of Act II, last Feb. 6, when Mrs. Clinton declared her candidacy in Purchase, with the president as a silent onlooker at the rear of the stage. A biographical video shown at the event inexplicably reported that the first lady, with her well-known disdain for baking cookies, makes "a mean tossed salad."

Mr. Giuliani ignored the salad, but he did attack a 27-year-old Billy Joel song, "Captain Jack," that Mrs. Clinton's staff said was played by mistake before her announcement. It refers to a young man smoking marijuana.

"The message that got out, and they say by mistake — and sometimes, if you read Freud, that can be the most powerful message — the message that got out by mistake is 'Let's say yes to drugs,'" Mr. Giuliani said.

Mrs. Clinton embarked on a week-

A VISIT TO THE FARM

Before she had even formally declared her candidacy, Hillary Rodham Clinton talked in July 1999 with the man she wanted to replace, Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, at his upstate farm in Pindars Corners. It was the start of her trips around the state, which she called her "listening tour."



Pool photograph by Babette Matthews

CROSSING PATHS

At the Inner Circle show, a night in March when the subject was not real politics but the spoof of politics, Mrs. Clinton met the man who was still expected to be her opponent, Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani.



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CHANGES

In May, the race turned upside down when Mayor Giuliani dropped out. The race took another turn in the first debate, in September, when Rick A. Lazio, who replaced Mr. Giuliani, strode to Mrs. Clinton's lectern and demanded that she sign a pledge not to use soft money in the campaign.

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paign degenerated into a constant bleat of accusations by both sides about Palestinian terrorists, campaign contributions and character, with almost \$2 million spent on a

final rush of commercials. Last night, the curtain finally came down on the last act.

Norman Adler, the political consultant, said that it seemed to him

like the end of a very long Mass. "The priest says, 'Go, the Mass is ended,'" Mr. Adler said. "And you know what the response is? 'Thanks be to God.'"

New York's New Senator

Completing an extraordinary metamorphosis from political neophyte to polished candidate, Hillary Rodham Clinton — the first first lady ever to run for office — defeated Representative Rick Lazio yesterday in a closely fought race for Daniel Patrick Moynihan's Senate seat from New York. If Mrs. Clinton brings to the Senate the intelligence and energy that she brought to her campaign, she should make a worthy successor to the estimable Mr. Moynihan, who is retiring after 24 honorable years of service.

Meanwhile Jon Corzine, a Democrat and a multimillionaire who spent nearly \$60 million of his own money, will succeed Frank Lautenberg as senator from New Jersey. Mr. Corzine now holds the dubious distinction of having contributed the most personal money of all time to win a Senate seat.

Mrs. Clinton's victory is the more remarkable. She arrived in New York as an ambitious amateur, bruised by her husband's personal lapses, branded as a carpetbagger and burdened by the ethical legacies of her Arkansas and White House years. She was also largely untutored in New York's economic and social needs. But there was never any doubt about her intellectual capacity. She proved a quick study and, in time, a sure-footed campaigner.

It is true that she profited greatly from Mayor Rudolph Giuliani's decision to retire from the race for medical reasons, as well as Representative Lazio's late start, which put him at a disadvantage financially and in terms of name recognition. But Mr. Lazio, a Republican moderate who built a creditable record in the House on a variety of issues, proved a vigorous opponent. He wasted too much

energy in a fruitless effort to portray himself as the only true New Yorker in the race, and discovered to his dismay that the anti-Hillary sentiment nationwide produced more money than votes. He never really found his voice, but he pushed Mrs. Clinton on the issues and undoubtedly furthered her political education in the process.

The only regrettable aspect of the campaign was that it lapsed near the end into name-calling, with Mr. Lazio trying to draw connections between Mrs. Clinton's fund-raising and terrorists who bombed the U.S.S. Cole, while Mrs. Clinton launched a harsh last-minute commercial that accused Mr. Lazio of trying to gut funding for breast cancer treatment. The ad, meant for the suburbs where Mrs. Clinton was not doing as well as expected, distorted Mr. Lazio's record on breast cancer.

Too much money dominated both the New York and New Jersey races, but the excesses in New Jersey were unprecedented. Mr. Corzine used his considerable fortune to swamp his underfinanced opponent, Representative Bob Franks, a hard-working but colorless moderate, with ads, donations to churches and political organizations and, more recently, "walking-around money" of \$50 to \$75 to hordes of political workers hired for the day. This page opposed Mr. Corzine for just that reason, but expects him to deliver on his promises to vote progressively and to work for campaign finance reform.

In addition to her distinction as the first first lady to run for office, Mrs. Clinton is also New York's first woman senator. For years she has been a vigorous proponent of reform in health, education and child care, but always as an unelected advocate. Her election gives her, for the first time, a legislative arena in which to champion her causes.

New York Win Extends Clintons' Influence

By SHAILAGH MURRAY

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Hillary Clinton's victory in the New York Senate race assures that she will have a place in the history books—and that her husband Bill Clinton's considerable influence on the nation's political landscape will continue for at least six more years.

Though she will be only a freshman senator, Mrs. Clinton immediately becomes one of the Democratic Party's highest-profile elected figures and is likely to be among its chief fund-raisers. Her victory also grounds in Congress many of the centrist policies pioneered by President Clinton, before Al Gore's presidential campaign this year fell back on more old-fashioned liberal and populist themes.

"Hillary ran explicitly as a New Democrat in New York," says Al From, president of the Democratic Leadership Council, which founded the New Democrat movement that Mr. Clinton personified. "I suspect when she gets to the Senate, she will be one of the people continuing to take the party in the direction that he started."

It was President Clinton who sold the nation on welfare reform and changed the party's economic strategy to one of balanced budgets and economic growth, not wealth distribution through taxing and spending. He even got the party to accept more free-trade and anticrime positions.

Mrs. Clinton, the only first lady ever to have sought elected office, beat Rep. Rick Lazio, a Long Island Republican. It was a bitterly fought campaign, and an odd one. Mrs. Clinton announced her candidacy in July 1999, in the highly partisan aftermath of the Monica Lewinsky scandal and her husband's ensuing impeachment. Then, in May, her presumed rival, New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, announced he wouldn't seek the Republican nomination, having been diagnosed with prostate cancer.

As a non-native New Yorker and polarizing figure nationally, it took time for Mrs.

Clinton to get her political bearings. "Clearly she came to New York City with celebrity status, but the danger was looking like she was seeking a third Clinton term," said Lee Miringoff, director of polling at Marist College, in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

Mrs. Clinton has long been viewed as more liberal than her husband, a reputation that was reinforced by her high-profile but failed plan to create a national health-care system. Although New York is more left-leaning than many states, Mrs. Clinton evolved into a less spontaneous and less effusive version of her husband: a relentless campaigner who advocates "building on our prosperity," while offering her own dizzying array of narrow, crowd-pleasing policy goals.

Maurice Carroll, director of a regional polling institute at Quinnipiac University, Hamden, Conn., likens some of Mrs. Clinton's promises to her husband's idea of introducing uniforms in public schools. Her goals included ending teen smoking, revitalizing local libraries and increasing entrepreneurship, for instance. "You talk about stuff you can't do anything about, but that people like," he said. "It's a great trick."

Like her husband, Mrs. Clinton also learned to read a crowd. She shares her husband's fluency in the issues, and in over a year of crisscrossing New York, she tailored versions of her broader message to fit the state's diverse constituencies. In upstate New York, where the economy's growth lags behind the national pace, she promoted an economic-development plan. In minority neighborhoods of New York City, she pitched expanded health insur-

ance for children.

Oddly, it was the Republicans this year who attempted to mimic Mr. Clinton. George W. Bush made himself more appealing to women and minorities by preaching one of the Democrats' most-cherished themes, education. He campaigned for managed-care reform, a Medicare prescription-drug benefit and putting health clinics in poor neighborhoods. None of these used to be Republican issues—and they helped to broaden Mr. Bush's appeal.

The big challenge for Democrats will be addressing the aftermath of Ralph Nader's candidacy, which was a sharp repudiation of the president's centrist path by party liberals. Mr. Clinton's gamble was "that he could move to the center without alienating the liberal base in the party," said Darrell West, a political-science professor at Brown University. "Nader tests that."



Democrats Cut Into GOP Majorities in Congress

By DAVID ROGERS
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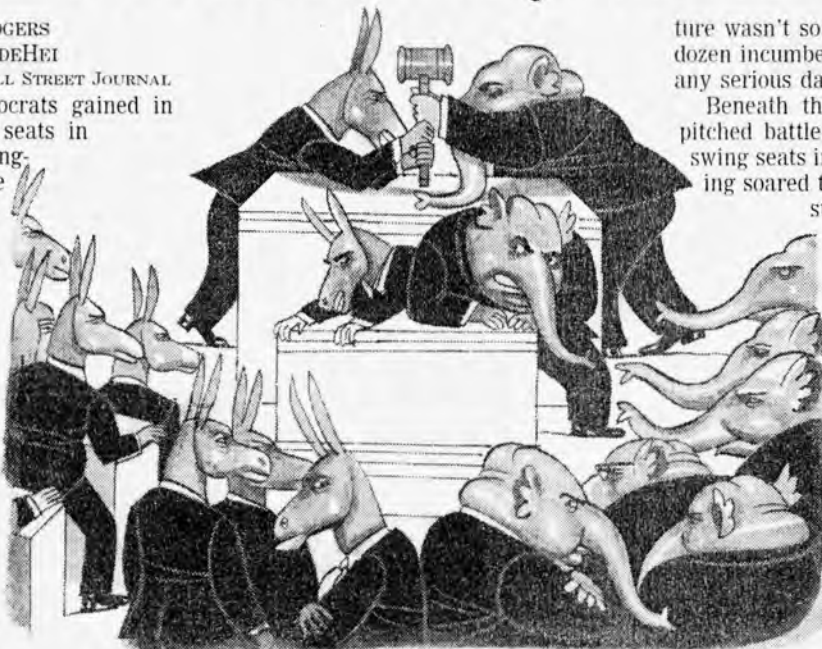
WASHINGTON—Democrats gained in the Senate, picking up seats in Florida, Delaware, Washington and Minnesota, while holding their own in New Jersey and New York, where Hillary Clinton won the year's most expensive congressional contest.

But in the seesaw contest for the House, Republicans were more than holding their own in the East and Midwest. Late last night, the GOP's margins were enough that it was expected to withstand threatened losses in the West and retain control of the chamber.

The most prominent Senate GOP casualty was Finance Committee Chairman William Roth of Delaware, whose health and 79 years hurt him against the state's younger Democratic Gov. Thomas Carper. The Democrats' biggest loss was Virginia's two-term Sen. Chuck Robb, who conceded to George Allen, a popular Republican former governor.

Despite a second loss in an open-seat contest in Nevada, Democrats were certain of at least narrowing the 54-46 Senate majority now held by the GOP. Apart from Chairman Roth, freshman Sen. Rod Grams was defeated in Minnesota, and Sen. Slade Gorton was projected by the networks to lose to Democrat Maria Cantwell in Washington state.

Montana and Michigan were two other battlegrounds for the GOP. And in the nation's most bizarre Senate race, the outcome was still unclear late last night in Missouri GOP Sen. John Ashcroft's battle to retain his seat over the late Democratic Gov. Mel Carnahan in a contest where Mr. Carnahan's widow, Jean, announced she would accept appointment to the post,



ture wasn't so different, and only a half-dozen incumbents in both parties were in any serious danger.

Beneath this tranquil surface was a pitched battle for money and control of swing seats in both chambers. As spending soared to record levels, the end result was to concentrate immense resources on targeted areas. In the race for Florida's 22nd House district, for example, Rep. Clay Shaw and his Democratic challenger, Elaine Bloom, raised more than \$4.3 million between them.

In California, Illinois and even West Virginia, the numbers were double that, with spending of \$8.8 million to more than \$10 million for individual House seats. Democrats

were decidedly more competitive in the hunt for dollars: the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee raised \$49 million in unlimited "soft money" contributions for House Democrats—nearly five times the level of four years ago.

In race after race, \$1 million was the entry fee, a staggering sum that election observers warn could deter ordinary people and state lawmakers from running for federal office. With the stakes raised so high, Senate Democrats actually sought out wealthy candidates. Mr. Corzine, the former chief executive of Goldman Sachs, tossed nearly \$60 million of his own money into his campaign.

—Mitchell Patterson
contributed to this article.

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A victory in the New York Senate Race guaranteed one Clinton remaining on the national stage. Article on page A16.

In other election news:

■ Ralph Nader fell far short of the 5% of the vote his party needs for federal funds—and so did Pat Buchanan, A17.

■ School voucher proposals failed in California and Michigan, among other state contests, A17.

should her late husband win.

As the nation's first lady and the wife of the outgoing president, Mrs. Clinton's win over Rep. Rick Lazio in New York was the most dramatic of the early contests. Next door in New Jersey, where the GOP had also once hoped to make gains, multimillionaire Jon Corzine's record personal spending helped Democrats hold onto a seat being vacated by retiring Sen. Frank Lautenberg. Meanwhile in Florida, state Insurance Commissioner Bill Nelson took back a seat held now by Republican Sen. Connie Mack, who is retiring this year.

The Florida race had neither the drama nor the dollars of New York and New Jersey, but the state was a battleground up and down the ballot. Riding a wave of publicity from his role in President Clinton's impeachment trial, GOP Rep. Bill McCollum had hoped to step into Mr. Mack's shoes. But the conservative 10-term Republican was upended by Mr. Nelson, a former House colleague and Southern moderate who had honed his consumer credentials as the state's elected insurance commissioner.

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In a night of tight House races, the GOP faced difficult challenges still in the West, from New Mexico to California. But in a heartbreaker for Democrats, Patrick Casey, son of the late Pennsylvania governor, fell short again in his effort to unseat Republican Rep. Don Sherwood in Scranton. Across the Delaware River in New Jersey, Democratic Rep. Rush Holt trailed in a close fight with former GOP Rep. Dick Zimmer.

Repeatedly, Democrats seemed to come up short in challenges to GOP incumbents. Republican Reps. Anne Northup and Ernie Fletcher in Kentucky were declared winners after costly campaigns marked by heavy spending by the pharmaceutical industry on behalf of the GOP and labor for the Democrats. In North Carolina, both Republican Reps. Robin Hayes and Charles Taylor won—a major setback for Democrats. Indiana GOP Rep. John Hostettler survived a challenge by Democrat, Dr. Paul Perry, who made health care the central theme of his campaign. But Connecticut Rep. Sam Gejdenson, the ranking Democrat on the House International Relations Committee, lost to GOP challenger Robert Simmons.

In a seesaw battle for open seats, Democrats drew the first blood, as Brad Carson carried an Oklahoma district vacated by Republican conservative Rep. Tom Coburn. But hours later, Republicans won previously Democratic seats in Pennsylvania, New York, Virginia and Missouri, and the GOP was expected to hold two pivotal open seats in Florida.

In Senate races, the Republican victories in Virginia and Nevada, where former congressman John Ensign won a seat vacated by Sen. Richard Bryan, were an important firewall for the GOP. But Democrats will be stronger, and former Gov. Zell Miller won handily in Georgia, solidifying the party's grip on a seat once held by the late Republican Sen. Paul Coverdell. In Connecticut, Democratic vice presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman easily won his Senate seat. And two of the party's most famous warhorses, West Virginia Sen. Robert Byrd, the longest-serving member of Congress, and Sen. Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts both won their eighth terms.

Among prominent Republicans, Indiana Sen. Richard Lugar rolled to a fifth term, which will keep him as chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee when Congress re-examines the GOP's "Freedom to Farm" law in the new Congress. In

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Congrats, Mrs. Clinton

Nobody can say that Hillary Rodham Clinton didn't *earn* the job she won last night.

It took guts, perseverance and a lot of hard work to do what the first lady accomplished.

She overcame the carpetbagger rap because she spent more time upstate than your average appleknocker — while maintaining sufficient presence in the city to keep her electoral base in line.

She set the rhetorical agenda from Day One, essentially defining the terms of the debate thereafter. This is not easy in a state as philosophically and politically diverse as New York.

The fact that she pulled it off so neatly is a mark of the professionalism that also was present from the start.

Yes, Mrs. Clinton got a lot of help.

She benefited enormously from the enrollment advantage Democrats enjoy in New York — five for every three Republicans, an extraordinary ratio to overcome.

And Rudy Giuliani's withdrawal — both its timing and the circumstances — was a big factor.

Those who supported Rep. Rick Lazio — and we did — have reason to be disappointed by the campaign he ran.

Any statewide candidate would have an uphill haul when the strength of New York's organized vested interests are arrayed as they were yesterday.

There is irony in the fact that a candidate who ran as an advocate of poor and underprivileged residents of urban New York won in no small way because of the support of institutional interests.

Unions — the teachers union in particular — demonstrated remarkable clout, as always.

We believe that the interests of the unions are not always those of the New Yorkers they ostensibly exist to serve. So while the United Federation of Teachers won big yesterday, too, it remains to be seen if the kids of Central Harlem and Bed-Stuy were so lucky.

Now, a couple of words about Rick Lazio.

In retrospect, this was not the race for the youthful four-term congressman. But he undertook it, and he was an articulate spokesman for views that did not resonate sufficiently in New York — vouchers, for example.

Now the race is over, we offer genuine congratulations to the first lady.

New York has made its choice; in the end, that's all that counts.

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WHAT, ME WORRY?! George W. Bush, sporting his trademark GWB boots, talks on phone from Governor's mansion in Austin, Texas.

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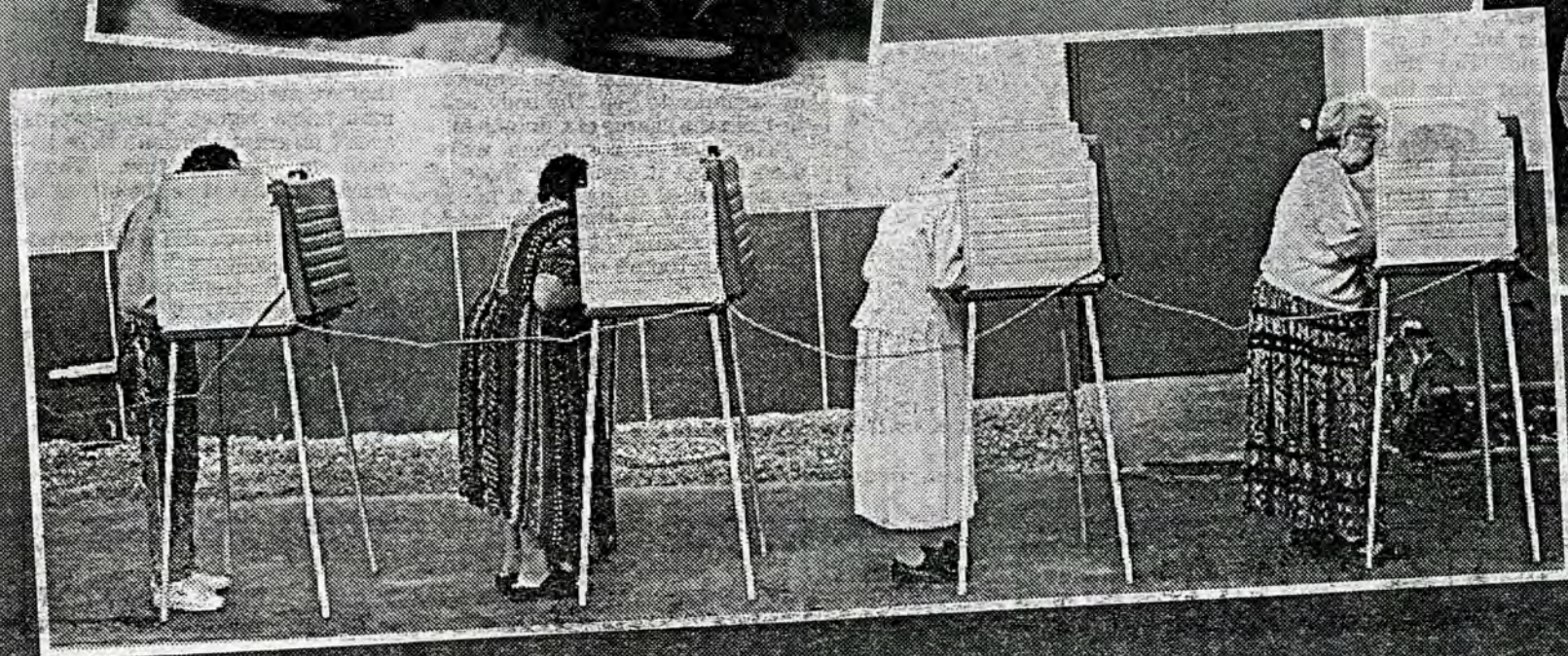
HIGH HOPES: Rick Lazio is all smiles as he leaves voting booth in Bay Shore, L.I. with 8-year-old daughter Molly.

N.Y. Post: Mary McLoughlin



ALL DOLLED UP: Matryoshka dolls depicting the two candidates were for sale on Arba Street in Moscow.

AP

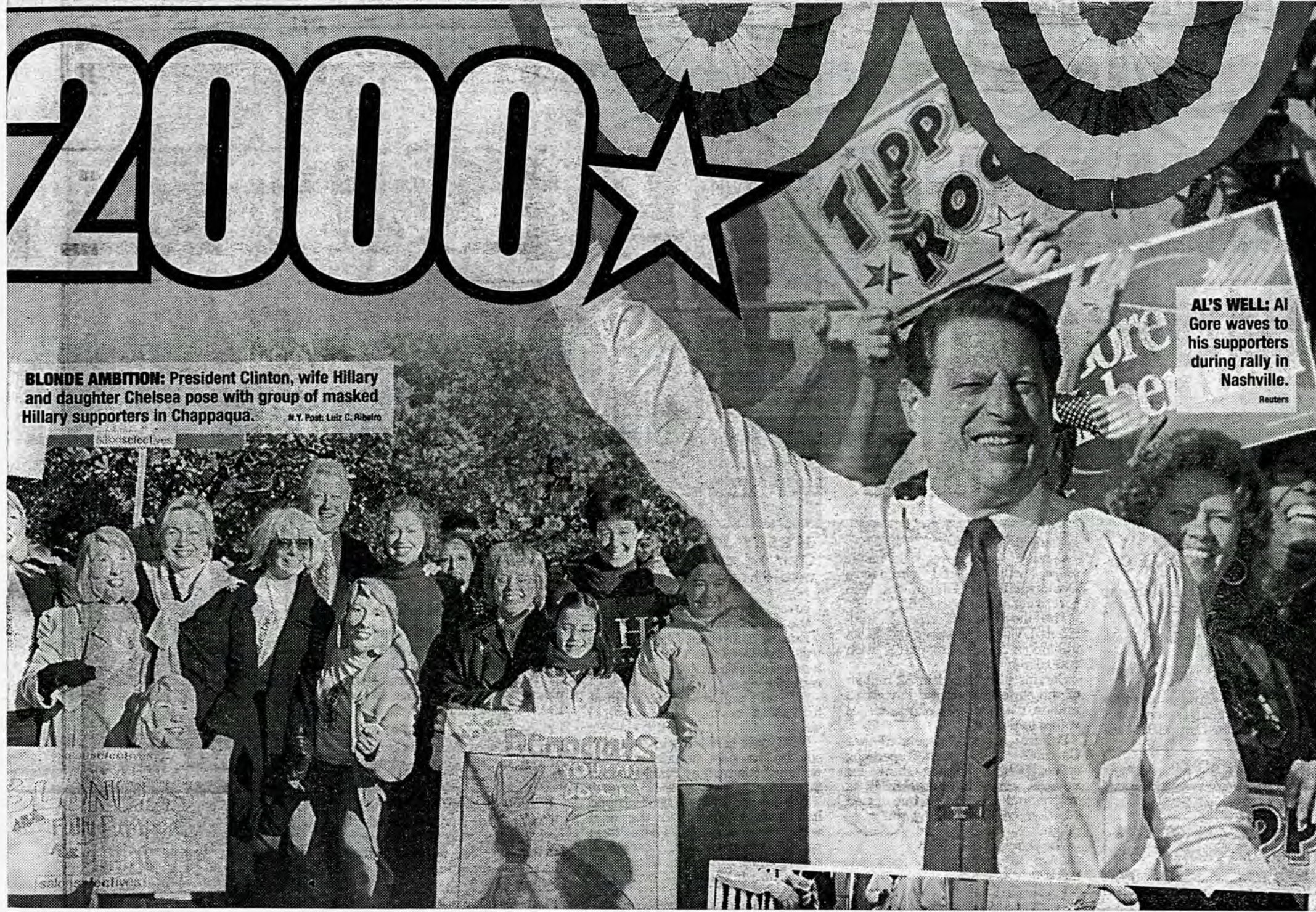


SECRET BALLOT: Cuban-Americans vote at polling center in Miami's Little Havana.

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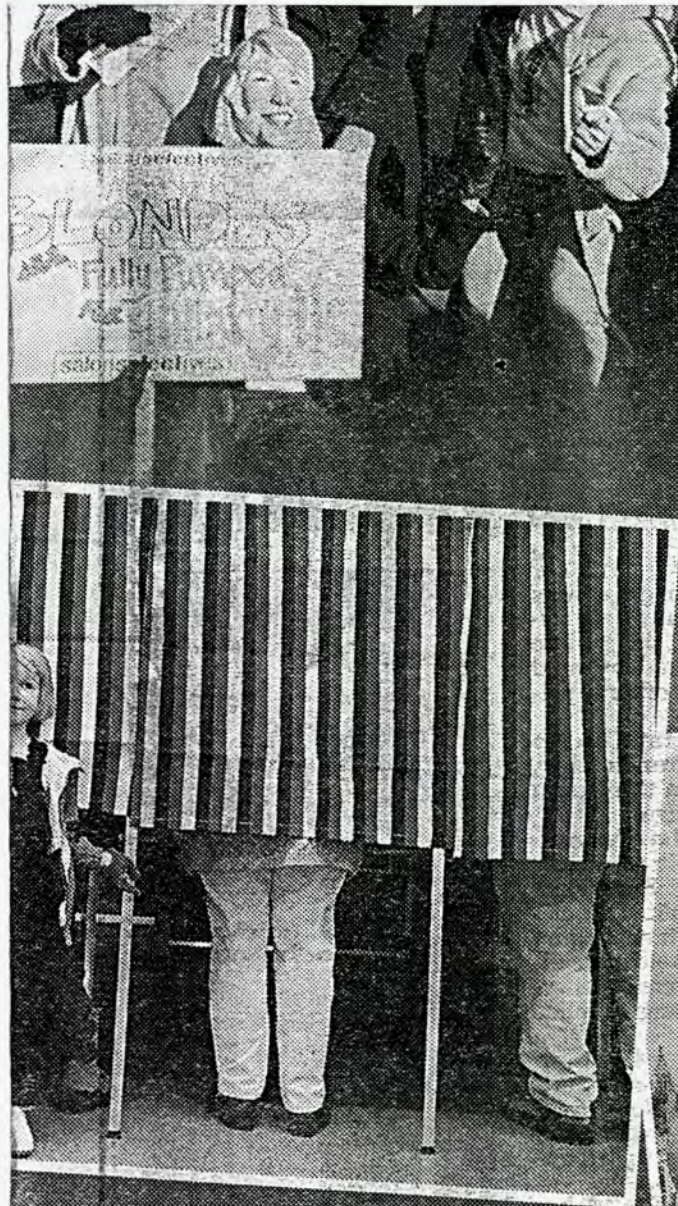
BLONDE AMBITION: President Clinton, wife Hillary and daughter Chelsea pose with group of masked Hillary supporters in Chappaqua.

N.Y. Post: Luiz C. Ribeiro

AL'S WELL: Al Gore waves to his supporters during rally in Nashville.

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AROUND: Kris Rickhoff, 4, waits for her JoAnn outside voting booths at Elkali elementary school in Billings, Mont. AP



WRESTLEMANIA: Dressed as candidates George W. Bush and Al Gore, Jared Frontiero, top, of Gloucester, Mass., and John Lacey of Weymouth, Mass., horse around yesterday as part of Election Day radio promotion. AP



TRUE BRIT: Inflatable caricatures of Al Gore, left, and George Bush stand against the backdrop of the Houses of Parliament in London. AP

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It's time to end Clintonism, for goodness sake

WASHINGTON.

IN OCTOBER, a mere week after Richard Kent returned home from National Guard duty in Bosnia, he presented himself at the Republican National Committee offices on Capitol Hill.

He wanted to help, as he has done in each of the last three GOP presidential campaigns.

Now Election Day had arrived at last and, over a late lunch in Union Station, Kent reflected on what it all meant.

"Tears came into my eyes in the voting booth today," Kent, 38, said.

"All I could think of was everybody who had given so much so I could vote. Blood, toil, sweat and tears of the past 200 years, and it all came down to being able to put my mark on a little piece of paper."

Kent, whose was among the first Guardsmen sent to keep the peace in Bosnia, couldn't help thinking today about what he had seen and done in that vale of tears over the past year.

"Our problem day-to-day was how to keep the Bosnians from killing each other during their elections," he said. "Here we don't need international observers to keep the vote honest, and armed guards protecting polling centers."

Maybe it takes living and working in a country where people massacre each other over their differences to make one appreciate the unspeakable blessing that is America.

Then again, Michigan native Kent is the kind of guy who, even after 13 years of living in Washington, maintains his Fourth of July wonderment at the goodness of this country. It's why the recent law graduate is planning to give his life to public service.

It's also why he threw himself wholeheartedly into the Bush campaign, which he sees foremost as a chance to heal the body politic from the cancer of Clintonism.

"The kind of corruption we've seen makes it easier for those of us committed to making a life in politics to ignore that inner check on wrongdoing," he said. "You think that there's not a price to be paid."

Beyond the particular proposals of Al Gore and George W. Bush, Kent believes this election was about "clearing the decks," and sending the Clinton crowd pack-

ing.

"The kind of people who take people's FBI files. The kind of people who hire folks like Sid Blumenthal to smear opponents," he explained. "The degradation of political culture here in the Capitol, for the good of the republic, has to be stopped."

Yet he waves "Good luck" to passing friends sporting Gore buttons and heading to New York for Hillary's party.

"The best thing that can be said for political activists of both sides is that they're talented people who love America so much that they're willing to do this despite opportunities for greater wealth and recognition elsewhere," he said.

"They know what they're sacrificing, and they're not willing to waste it."

That's the tragedy of Bill Clinton, according to Kent: to have held the sacred trust of the American

presidency, and to have sacrificed it for tawdry personal folly.

"I'm glad it's going to be over soon," Kent said. "As bad as Gore is, on his worst day he can't approach Clinton."

As soon as he can manage, lawyer Kent will move with his wife and sons back to Macomb County, Mich., and begin his own political career.

We've just come through an election campaign that ended with the vice president and his supporters likening Republicans to a racist lynch mob. Is gentlemanly Kent too idealistic for American politics in a post-Clinton era?

Maybe. But if people like him don't stand a chance of getting elected, what hope is there for a politics of honor and decency?

"Idealism is the rock on which the nation is built," he said. "The idea that we are all created equal, that we are endowed with certain inalienable rights. Those words aren't an empty formula to be recited at election time. Those words are as real as the stones in this train station."

"Without them, the whole structure would collapse."

With that, Kent paid his bill, drained his cup of coffee, then went back to party headquarters to check the early exit polls. It was going to be a long night.

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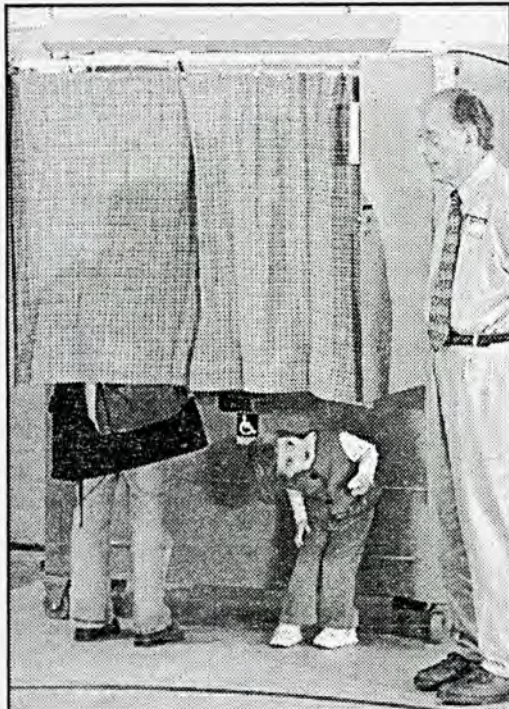
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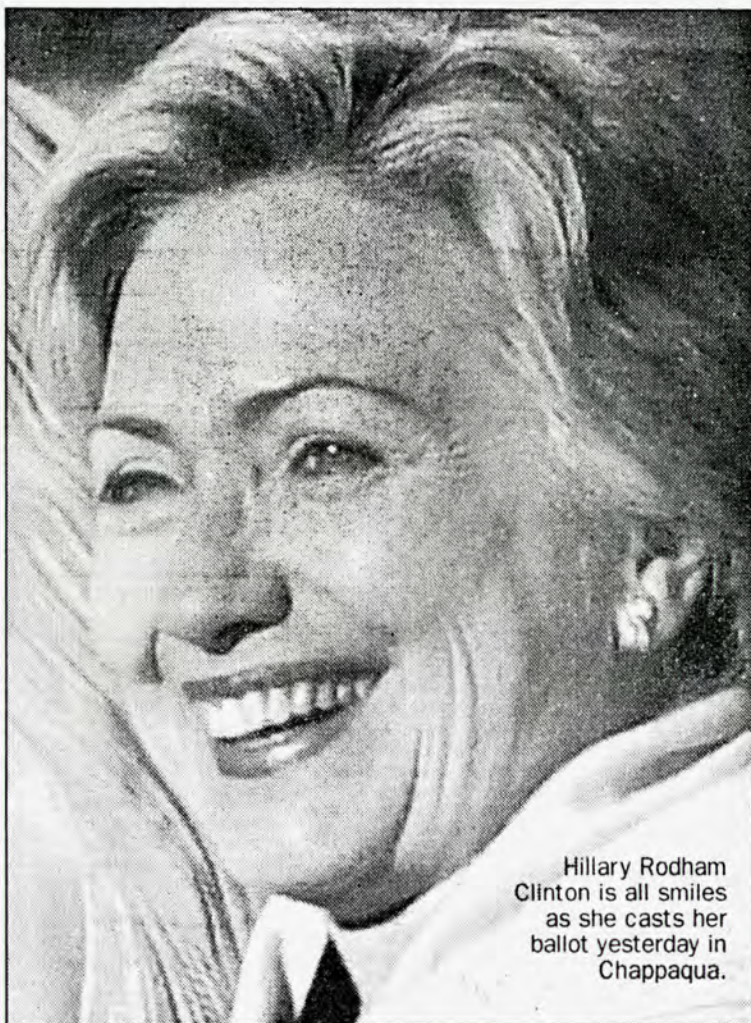
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Hillary Rodham Clinton is all smiles as she casts her ballot yesterday in Chappaqua.

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SHE'LL BE SENATOR

She whips Rick in an easy victory

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton made history last night — soundly defeating Long Island congressman Rick Lazio in one of the longest and most expensive Senate races ever.

Every major network and local news station called the New York race for Clinton shortly after the polls closed at 9 p.m. — bringing a sudden end to an intense 16-month political marathon that often felt like it was plotted in a Hollywood studio.

Exit polls showed Clinton winning by 8 points — carrying the city by an over-

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whelming margin and running surprisingly well in traditionally Republican upstate.

Clinton's victory made her the only first lady to be elected to political office. Her big win also shattered New York's electoral glass ceiling — Clinton is the first woman elected to statewide office in her own right.

As New York voter turnout approached its highest point in eight years, Clinton



HE'S COOKED: Rick Lazio and wife Pat attend a spaghetti fest at a Syracuse school before going down to defeat in the Senate race. AP

She outworked, outwoked Lazio

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Hillary Rodham Clinton worked longer and harder than Rick Lazio and stuck to the issues — so voters rewarded her by overlooking their doubts about her character and her carpetbag.

Clinton also benefited from a whopping turnout in the heavily Democratic city, where 70 percent of eligible voters went to the polls, the highest figure in eight years.

But the first lady's relentless effort to focus on the issues was the hallmark of her first bid for office.

She wanted to make the contest about policy, not personality, and succeeded in the end.

Clinton released detailed

plans for education, the economy, health care, foreign policy, the environment and more.

Her campaign was plodding and her ideas weren't bold or exciting, but they were true-blue Democratic and helped establish her as a person of substance — which played into the perception Lazio is a lightweight.

"She stuck to the issues no matter what they threw at her," said Sen. Chuck Schumer.

Lazio, by contrast, belatedly released only two position papers and his aides

initially planned to ride a wave of anti-Hillary sentiment to victory.

It was late in the race, too late, when his advisors realized that wouldn't be enough.

"Rick wasn't able to give a rationale beyond being the non-Hillary," Rep. Pete King (R-L.I.) told The Post.

"He started out with 43 percent of the vote and will probably wind up with 45 percent... He should have staked out more issues to highlight some of his issue differences with (Clinton), other than she's not from New York."

Upstate, Clinton outworked Lazio and outwoked him.

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She visited every county, building good will among skeptical New Yorkers, and she outmaneuvered her Republican rival on the region's most important issue: the economy.

The first lady said she recognized jobs as the top priority, while one of her TV ads portrayed Lazio as an ostrich with its head in the sand.

To get to know New York and reduce her carpetbagger problem, Clinton began her campaign 16 months before Election Day — and that proved to be a huge advantage.

She had time to assemble a campaign organization and work out its kinks, visit every county in the state, and make mistakes. She kissed Yasser Arafat's wife — perhaps her biggest whopper — almost a year ago.

Much of the final two weeks of the campaign seemed to center on a battle for the Jewish community.

It seems to have paid off for Lazio, who made an usually impressive showing for a Republican with Jews.

He grabbed 41 percent, while Clinton picked up 58 percent — well below the minimum two-thirds that a Democratic candidate would normally expect.

HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON

awaited the election results at Manhattan's Grand Hyatt Hotel, which was packed with hundreds of reporters and supporters.

It was a political "This is Your Life" for the 53-year-old first lady as she was joined by virtually every elected Democrat she met in the state — and her husband.

It was an odd but joyous moment for the president, whose 22 years in elected office will end January — just as his wife will be taking center stage for the first time in their marriage.

The Clinton victory party kicked off only blocks away from the Roosevelt Hotel, where Lazio saw his Senate dreams go down the drain.

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Lazio had coveted the Senate seat after Daniel Patrick Moynihan announced his retirement shortly after Election Day in 1998.

But the four-term congressman was pushed to the sidelines by state Republican leaders who believed that the better-known Mayor Giuliani would be a stronger candidate against the first lady.

Lazio, 42, was quickly pressed into duty May 20, after Giuliani announced he couldn't continue in the race because of his battle with prostate cancer.

The newcomer showed enthusiasm for the campaign trail that Giuliani never had, and surprised pundits by coming close to catching Clinton in the polls within weeks.

His greatest success was on the fund-raising front, raking in more than \$30 million from across the country in less than six months.

Including Giuliani's war chest, more than \$78 million was raised in the race, shattering all previous records for senate campaigns.

Lazio capitalized on national anti-Clinton sentiment, but was never able to develop a rationale for his campaign beyond — as one of his fund-raising letters boasted — "I'm running against Hillary Rodham Clinton."

Clinton, meanwhile, relentlessly stomped across the state, visiting all 62 counties and becoming an expert on the state virtually overnight.

Her biggest miscues came



WINNING SMILES: Bill, Hillary and Chelsea Clinton arrive at the Douglas Grafflin Elementary School in Chappaqua to vote for Mom. *NY Post, Luiz C. Ribeiro*

last year, when she kissed the wife of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat during a trip to the Mideast and flip-flopped on whether jailed Puerto Rican nationalists should be freed.

"She had all the time to work the kinks out of her campaign and Lazio didn't

and he was taken to task for it," lamented one aide to Gov. Pataki last night.

Lazio's opportunity to take Clinton head-on backfired miserably in their first debate in October.

Pressing Clinton on whether she would agree to his "soft-money" ban, Lazio

walked over to the first lady's lectern and repeatedly told her to "sign it."

The confrontation hurt the GOP candidate's standing with female voters — opening a gender gap that polls showed Lazio failed to close in the campaign's final weeks.

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