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THE 1970 ELECTIONS

AT STAKE ARE:

35 Senate seats, 35 governorships, 435 House of Representative seats with local offices and referendums in many areas.

We see the House as being: the same in the South; Republicans gain of two in the Northeast;

Democrats gain of ten to twelve in the Midwest; Democrats gaining five in the West.

A net gain of 15 for the Democrats.

The Senate should hold about even.

Democrats should gain six to nine statehouses.

NEW YORK: BATTLEGROUND FOR CLASHING IDEOLOGIES AND PARTIES

Two important government posts are at stake in New York. The posts are those of Governor and Senator. Republican Governor Nelson Rockefeller is seeking re-election for a fourth term. If he is successful, he will be the first governor to serve for sixteen years in New York's history.

But this year, he has to fight for his political life,

BASIC ISSUES.....

Law and order with variations of it such as: Campus unrest, crimes of violence, terror bombings and attacks on police. The economy: Inflation, Employment and taxes. The Urban Crisis: Transportation, poverty, lack of effective local government. Morality: Pornography, philosophy on ethical issues. Southeast Asia and its effects. Race and related sub-issues. Ecology and Conservation

It should be remember that there are many local issues which often do not reach a national scope or these national issues take on a local coloring.

since the Democratic and the Liberal Parties have found a vigorous challenger--Arthur Goldberg, former Secretary of Labor, Supreme Court Justice, and Ambassador to the United Nations. The spoiler in this race is the Conservative Party's candidate Dr. Paul Adams.

In this race Governor Rockefeller is caught in the middle of a united liberal front and

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TENNESSEE Governor

John J. Hooker (D) 49%
Winfield Dunn (R) 47%
George Heinson (A) 4%

SENATE

Albert Gore (D) 50%
William Brock (R) 50%

A fierce battle is raging in the Volunteer State for the control of the state house. The Republican chances are the best in years with a viable candidate running against an unsuccessful Democratic businessman. Hooker has been losing strength all fall. But, the Democrats are tending to unite and this may be halted.

In the number one senate contest in the so-called Southern Strategy or whatever it may be termed we see Gore behind a Chatanooga resident of the name of William Brock.

Brock has proved to be an inept campaigner after the fall of Judge G. Harold Carswell who was labeled the bussing judge by William Cramer last spring. Carswell ran from it thus setting up an almost two to one majority for Cramer in that

MASSACHUSETTS

Francis W. Sargent (R)
Kevin H. White (D)

A split party may kill White chances. He was weak in Boston during the primary, too.
Sargent 51%
White 49%

Florida primary. Brock is also suffering from a lie which in which he charged Gore with using public funds for the improvement of his ranch by the construction of roads and bridges. But, the nearest road was five miles away and there are no creeks to bridge on the Gore ranch.

Meanwhile, Gore is working in Central and West Tennessee on getting a heavy black vote in Memphis and in the Wallace counties in mid-south counties. There has been a slow Gore ground swell lately and we figure Gore may be re-elected by a few thousand votes.

Please bear in mind that the predictions are based upon research into issues, polls and political assessments in conjunction with historical and population factors in order to derive percentages and margins of victory where so stated.

Many contests are so close that a sudden event in the waning hours of campaigns could affect the results.

MICHIGAN

William Milliken (R) 50%
Sander Levin (D) 50%

Milliken has been leading ever so slightly, all fall.

The GM strike has the keys to the election. We say Milliken by a few thousand votes.

OHIO SENATE

Robert Taft Jr. (R) 50%

Howard Metzenbaum (D) 50%

GOVERNOR

Roger Cloud (R) 52%

John J. Gilligan (D) 48%

If there is any state in which citizens are in a confused state; it is Ohio.

They have had their share of problems and trouble recently.

Law and Order is the chief issue. But, there are differing sub-issues in that. For example, violent bombings in Columbus, campus unrest in the universities, trouble in the

high schools, racial tensions, and rising ordinary crime.

Then, it is economics. Unhappy workers ponder wages that can't seem to keep up with the cost of living. Unemployment is on the rise and many are on part time jobs.

In Cleveland, in addition, to the Ohio Valley, there is a growing clamor for something to be done about pollution.

And beneath it all...a question of that lavish campaign spending and the honesty of the candidates. This makes any advance prediction hazardous, but we go with Gilligan and Metzenbaum as winners.

ILLINOIS

Ralph T. Smith (R) 39%

Adlai Stevenson (D) 61%

In this critical Illinois senate race Adlai Stevenson III is running on his father's name, who was an Illinois governor and twice a presidential candidate, against Ralph T. Smith. Smith is a devout Nixon man, supports the president's policies in Vietnam.

Stevenson advocates withdrawal and points out that the South Vietnamese do not want a political settlement. Stevenson also, blames the war and Nixon for the economic crisis

in the nation. Smith has rebutted by claims of overspending by the previous administration.

The big issue: law and order has Vice-President Agnew accusing Smith of being a "Johnny come lately" and of being one of those "radclibs" heard about so often. Stevenson has pointed to a moderate record on law and order acts in the state legislature. Even tho Smith has twice the funds for the campaign, we feel Stevenson will help maintain the Democratic majority in the U.S. Senate next January.

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FLORIDA-GOVERNOR

Claude Kirk Jr. (R) 52%

Reubin Askew (D) 48%

SENATE

Lawon Chiles (D) 51%

William Cramer (R) 49%

It is evident that the man who wanted to be the Vice-Presidential running mate of Gov. Nelson Rockefeller of New York in 1968 is having difficulties of his own.

Kirk's well run campaign has failed to match sentiments of many Floridians. So, Kirk is behind Reubin Askew of Pensacola. Askew is heralding tax reform in his campaign. Also, he has impressed may with his ideas on Kirk's incompetence. The leadership of Kirk is also in the limelight.

The influence of George C. Wallace, tho there is no American Independent candidate is a relevant factor. In the northwest, he was the #1 vote getter in 1968. Gov. Kirk's takeover of the Manatee County School Board last spring is an issue. The move was made, according to Kirk, to force the matter of bussing and neighborhood schools, that is so hotly disputed in the South, before the Supreme Court. (The high court is reviewing cases of this type this fall.) The takeover has been termed a "political ploy" by anti-Kirk forces.

The issue of youth is in the background, especially in beach

cities along the Atlantic coast areas.

In a close Senate race, the Republicans are split after that Carswell debacle. Cramer has tended to weaken, despite aid from Richard Nixon. If the present trends are not reversed Nixon hopes of a Florida political base in 1972 are in vain.

TEXAS SENATE

George Bush (R) 47%

Lloyd Bentsen (D) 53%

GOVERNOR

Paul Eggers (R) 45%

Preston Smith (D) 55%

Both of these bitter contests are in reality, power struggles between Nixon Republicans and Connally-Johnson Democrats. LBJ, himself is lying low, but his influences and finances are felt. LBJ is thought to be doing little campaigning because it is felt that he is still unpopular in many parts of the nation...but not in Texas.

It is interesting to note the fact that Bush is appearing more moderate than expected. This may be a bid to soothe the disenchanted "liberals" who were left leaderless when Ralph Yarborough fell in the Democratic Primary to the "conservative" Bentsen last May.

We are holding that the Democrats will reunite as they did 1968 and the results won't be so close.

Thomas J. Dodd (I)
Lowell P. Weicker Jr. (R)
Joseph Duffey (D)

This three way battle is interesting.

Dodd, censored for unethical behavior, is now in a race with two opponents. He has appeared quite weak, after the loss to Duffey in the primary, he is running 20% in the polls.

Weicker is in a stronger position since the Nixon visit.

The young Duffey continues to amaze veterans with his youthful staff and idealistic pro.

With inflation, taxes and war as issues, we are in a bind, but we see Duffey as the winner.

Dodd 16%
Weicker 40%
Duffey 44%

Thomas J. Meskill (R)
Emilio Q. Daddario (D)

The same factors confuse the situation. We think Daddario can overcome Meskill's lead.

Meskill 49%
Daddario 51%

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Walter Peterson (R)
Roger J. Crowley (D)
Meldrin thomson (A)

Taxes on income or sales are disputed. We see it this way:

Peterson 53%
Crowley 44%
Thomson 3%

Winthrop Rockefeller (R)
Dale Bumpers (D)
Walter Carruth (A)

This is another confusing situation. It is clear that Rockefeller is in trouble and may not get re-elected. Dale Bumpers is a new, young, and inspiring winner of the Democratic primary. He was able to defeat handily the venerable Orville Faubus of "Little Rock" fame.

That leaves the so-called red-neck vote leaning towards Walter Carruth, the American Independent Party candidate. Though Wallace took Arkansas with a 40% of the vote, Carruth is not well-known.

In a state that votes a Rockefeller for Governor, a Fulbright for Senator, and a Wallace for President by comfortable margins, a prediction is difficult.

Except for Little Rock, there are no real urban areas. Arkansas is still a small-town state with economic troubles and strong religious traditions. We risk the following vote totals despite these variables:

Bumpers 40%
Rockefeller 38%
Carruth 22%

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MARYLAND

Senate:

Joseph Tydings (D)
J. Glenn Beall, Jr. (R)

Governor:

Marvin Mandel (D)
C. Stanley Blair (R)

Money may well be the key in this race. The incumbent Tydings spent \$400,000 to beat nine-time loser, George P. Mahoney, for the nomination. It should be noted that on an open-housing platform Spiro Agnew won the governorship against Mahoney in 1966.

KANSAS

Robert Docking (D)
Kent Frizzell (R)

No governor has ever served more than two terms in Kansas, and Docking is out to end this tradition. The opinions put forth by analysts agree that the two are neck and neck. Law and order and campus violence are relevant in university cities.

Both agree on these and other issues. Noting that Docking has been winning by one to two percent in the past, we can prognosticate with a bit of confidence the same for this year:

Docking 51%
Frizzell 49%

Tydings trailed in the primary much of the time, winning by only 52%. Meanwhile, Beall, whose coffers have been fattened to the tune of \$500,000 with contributions still coming in, is staging a mass campaign to link Tydings name with student unrest.

This is effective, since Route 1, which cuts through Baltimore and Washington, D.C., was in the news as University of Maryland students blocked the road protesting the Cambodian Invasion and the Kent State incident. Governor Mandel may owe the governorship to his reactions to these incidents.

In addition to these issues, many Marylanders cannot see why Tydings voted for the Gun Control Bill of 1968. This is vital since Maryland is a sportsman's paradise. This certainly is a battle in which student unrest and gun controls will make the difference. We say with reservations that Tydings will win by a narrow margin:

Tydings 51%
Beall 49%

With issue of state administration also at hand along with the issue of student unrest, we risk the following prediction for Maryland's Governor's race:

Marvin Mandel 53%
C. Stanley Blair 47%

CALIFORNIA

John V. Tunney (D) 50%

George Murphy (R) 50%

This personality contest in which charges and exchanged and disputed in almost evenly divided.

Tunney is a descendant of the boxer, George Tunney.

Lavish spending on Tv and radio time accompany this race.

Issues are law and order, pollution, Southeast Asia, and responsibility in office. We think Reagan will ease a weak Murphy thru. Both men are much in agreement with Tunney being more "liberal."

UTAH-SENATE

Frank E. Moss (D)

Laurence J. Burton (R)

Moss should weather this Nixon led attempt to dislodge him from the Senate.

Moss 52%

Burton 48%

VIRGINIA

Harry F. Byrd (I) 37%

George Rawlings (D) 34%

Ray Garland (R) 29%

No personalities or money for the Republican here as in Mass. or N.Y. Byrd votes with the GOP much of the time anyway. Byrd forsook the Democratic Party of his fathers over ideology.

Rawlings and Garland, evidently in vain, attack the Byrd machine. Local issues such as toll bridges predominate this bitter campaign

INDIANA

Vance Hartke (D)

Richard L. Roudebush (R)

The polls and observers rate this as among the nation's closest contests.

Hartke is hurt by a "radical liberal" image. Roudebush is not campaigning effectively.

Education, economics are rising issues tending to aid the incumbent, Hartke.

With Roudebush having money problems, Hartke may inch in.

Hartke 51%

Roudebush 49%

NEBRASKA

Roman Hruska (R)

Frank B. Morrison (D)

Nothing indicates that the present senator, Mr. Hruska will have much difficulty in being re-elected. We see Hruska 58%

Morrison 42%

Norbert Tieman (R)

J. J. Exon (D)

In the governor's race there is a factor that complicates matters. It is a dispute over taxation. Some have argued that this will give the election to Exon. A few polls show them about even. Since Nebraska is still strongly Republican, we venture the following guess: Tieman 53%

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WE THINK THAT CONVERSATION FROM THE BSU DESERVES SOME COMMENT IN THE FOLLOWING INSTANCES:

We do deplore the fact that assuming the said event did occur, that Dean Nichols did not have the courage or the resolve to stand up for the enforcement of the Civil Rights ruling regarding segregated housing or rooming. Even, if there was no stated ruling on the subject of room assignments we feel that there was a moral question to be resolved. The parent should have been told on the spot that there are federal regulations banning such room assignment discrimination. We, therefore, cannot defend this action by Dean Nichols regardless of what the parents said.

We deplore the failure of that interview from being corrected to show that funds were indeed voted by the Student Congress more than one week be-

IMPORTANT!!

THE STUDENT CONGRESS HAS ISSUED A CALL FOR A DIALOGUE WITH CENTRE COLLEGE BLACK STUDENTS AND ALL STUDENTS.
THE TIME: 1 PM WEDNESDAY
THE PLACE: SUTCLIFFE HALL

This was done in response to the alienation that was stated to exist among many of these students. Thus we urge all to make every effort to attend on WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 22 1 PM in

fore the release of the interview. Last week's Cento did include those funds in their presentation of the budget, but they did not correct for this so we have a contradiction.

We would like to take issue to that Burse statement of not speaking to some people thus, as he has held, insulting many of them. We don't think that not making the maximum effort to communicate will help any alienated persons or group of persons get into an improved state of mind or abundant life. When, if you are so alienated, Mr. Burse, you do not make an intense, sincere effort to try to remedy the situation? If you are that bad off, we ask you what do you have to lose?

That black superiority statement about athletes is not true, at least in some cases. What about tennis (before Arthur Ashe), bowling, skiing, hockey and golf? It is seldom if ever mentioned that there are superior black athletes in those sports. When Mr. Burse have you heard of a black olympic gold medal swimming champion? Or perhaps one in winter sports? What about those superb Caucasian athletes whose records still stand who played before the color bar was broken in the major sports of football, basketball and baseball?

Furthermore, what about the

athletes who are just as good or better that play along with equally outstanding blacks. We have read the record books and we cannot hold your statement as being flawless. But, we do heartily agree that black athletes have made outstanding contributions in any sport they have played. But, we cannot avoid questioning the assertion which borders on black superiority as so far as athletics are concerned.

We can support some of the contentions that black pride is needed. But, we don't find it consistent with high character standards or professed racial equality or identity to go too far with such ideas.

Finally, we hope in order to get a better perspective on the problems engendered by this alienation felt by many blacks that all our readers can clear the time and get the interest to attend the Dialogue Session Wednesday at 1 PM to discuss the situation in Sutcliffe Ballroom.

IT'S YOUR CONCERN

Other college campuses may be radical, passive, or apathetic; Centre College is concerned.

In talking to Centre students it soon becomes apparent that they are the most concerned students in the nation. They are concerned about every national, local, and campus is-

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choose one word that would sum up the Centre student, it would be--concerned.

On almost any issue, Centre students are willing to express their concern. They are tremendously concerned about ecology. To demonstrate this concern, they invited a Convocation speaker to express his concern.

Or take political activities. No one on this campus is more concerned about Centre's political activities than its President. Undoubtedly his concern has prompted other students to become concerned as well.

Or take the war. We are all so concerned about the war. Witness last year's "Day of Concern" instigated to express our deep and abiding concern on the issues.

When we reach the issue of race, we really find great concern. People will tell you over and over again how concerned they are about the actions of black students on campus. Ray Burse is concerned about racism. Now at last the fraternities are concerned, too.

Yes, the concerned Centre student will go to almost any length to express his concern about anything. I think it is great to be a part of the concerned Centre College campus community, as far as I'm con-

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a lesser conservative movement dedicated to the task of making Governor Rockefeller merely Mr. Rockefeller. But the Governor has his personal fortune to fall back on, and he is using plenty of money.

Some of it is personal and some of it is from the coffers of the wealthy Republican Party.

Arthur Goldberg, despite his prestige and liberalism, can get little money from the impoverished Democratic and Liberal parties. Dr. Adams is not waging too vigorous a campaign for his party is concentrating its wealth and other resources on its Senatorial candidate's campaign, so Dr. Adams' role in the campaign is to present his party's view on state issues to the people of New York.

Rockefeller and Goldberg are running neck and neck, so the election seems at this point to be a toss up between the two.

The scramble for the job of Senator is proving to be interesting thanks to the insurgency of the renegade Republican, James Buckley, who, with his supporters, is waving the banner of the Conservative Party.

Because of Buckley there is a three way race for Senator including the front runner Democratic Congressman Richard Ottinger and the choice of the Republican and Liberal Parties

The Agnew-Wallace Phenomenon

There are great differences between George C. Wallace and Spiro T. Agnew, we thought it would be thought provoking to see how strikingly similar at least, in the way they operate and speak.

Their vocabulary has choice, loaded words often with poetic quality like:

Agnew: pusslenimous pussy-footing, nagging nabobs of negativism, vicars or vacillation, hysterical hypochondriacs of history, and pulishobstructionism.

Wallace: bearded professors, pseudo-intellectuals with the nice, cute pointed heads, a wild eyed pot smoking hippie, guideline writers who know so little that they can't even park their bicycles straight. As for newspapers:

Agnew: "I know many of you are incumbent Senator Charles Goodell.

Ottinger and Goodell are identical in ideology since both are liberal on domestic issues, vocal doves on Vietnam, and well-known critics of the Nixon Administration. Buckley, on the other hand, is running as a supporter of and being supported by the Nixon Administration.

All three have their problems. In the Democratic Primary, Ottinger bought the elec-

are tired of everytime I say something I get blazed in editorials as being a racist, a bigot or you're a fool." That with free references to the Washington Post and the New York Times.

Wallace: "Any cab driver down here in Alabama knows more than any New York Times ever will know.

OR: "I asked how many of you in Alaska have heard of George Wallace? And you know... More of the people in Alaska have heard of George Wallace than they have heard of the Montgomery Advertiser!"

As for Northeasterners: Wallace: "There are big moneyed interests that are controlling the polls so that they express their point of view."

Agnew: "The Eastern establishment know that they don't express the feelings of the great majority in this country."

tion by spending \$1,700,000 on television commercials with most of the money coming from his family fortune; this tactic alienated many people.

When Goodell became Senator, he was a highly respected conservative, but then he switched to become a flaming liberal; angering many in the Republican Party who now support Buckley.

Goodell also suffers from a money shortage. Buckley's problem is that New York is

And as for hope for the future:

Agnew: "The great majority of the people will put an end to those few in the Senate who create mulish obstructionism to the Nixon Administration."

Wallace: "There's more of us than there are of you and come November, we the working people, the majority will write some guidelines for you!"

And apparently, tho the Vice-President has been the cutting edge of the Republican campaign, his days may be numbered as Wallace's may. A public reaction may be setting in and aids of Sen. Murphy have even sent a message urging the Vice-President not to come. They feel he may hurt rather than help the campaign.

Well, one thing is certain, with Agnew being the greatest oratorical political hit since Wallace, the Vice-Presidency will never be the same.

not a conservative state, and no conservative has ever won a state wide election.

Though Ottinger has led all polls since June, Buckley is now second in those polls. If the liberal vote is split evenly between Ottinger and the beleaguered Goodell, Buckley might win, but this is unlikely, since it did not happen in a similar situation in 1968 when two liberals ran against Buckley in that year's Senate race. Ottinger is likely

PENNSYLVANIA

Senate:

Hugh Scott (R)

William G. Sesler (D)

Not much to indicate any change.

Scott 55%

Sesler 45%

Governor:

Milton Shapp (D)

Raymond J. Broderick (R)

This will be quite a race to ponder. It is clear that Broderick has been leading in many polls. A controversial issue is the proposed revamping and possible reordering of the Keystone State's tax structure. Broderick is for the status quo, whereas Shapp has taken a position of studying the existing system.

There are also hints of a coming tax increase rumored in the state.

In 1966 Shapp, a political unknown, spent \$4 million in a vast publicity campaign, although he lost in a very close election.

RHODE ISLAND

Frank Licht (D)

Herbert F. DeSimone (R)

We see no change here for the governorship of Rhode Island.

Licht 54%

DeSimone 46%

a major issue in this heavily industrialized state. Many people do not like the high cost of living, nor do they care for the 6% unemployment rate.

With Shapp strong in Philadelphia and showing strength in suburbia, we foresee a heavy Democratic turnout. Thus we conclude

Shapp 52%

Broderick 48%

SOCIALLY BORED?

Whenever an institution fails to perform the services for which it was created, the people should alter the institution or abolish it and create a new institution to provide those services. For this reason the social program of the Student Congress, unresponsive to students' wants and financially unsound due to its structure, should be remodeled.

One lone person, popularly elected for his personality, speaking ability, and the number of big group names he knows cannot, regardless of how big his effort, effectively plan and execute a program of social activities to suitably encompass the varied interests of more than 750 students.

More people, with responsibility for the program's planning and management, are needed to furnish new (for Central) forms of social activities, in addition to the best of the

SOUTH DAKOTA

Frank L. Farrar (R)

Richard Kneip (D)

There have been consistent indications that Farrar has become unpopular due to taxes with additional unrest by farmers due to his farm policies. The few polls confirm this.

We see Farrar out:

Farrar 48%

Kneip 52%

old, to serve the greatest number of students.

These people, elected students and faculty members, will compose a "Social Board," similar to the Publications Board, which will choose on the basis of his qualifications, a student "Social Administrator," who will not serve as a Congress Officer.

On the basis of his program, the Social Board will make a budget request to the Congress and will assist him in operating his program.

Presently, the Social Chairman, depending on social tickets and gate receipts for most of his budget, must design his program to contain the largest possible number of Top (and thereby expensive) Bands. This severely limits the amount of the social budget that goes to events other than dances and concerts.

Although students may actually want a greater variety of activities; the Social Chair-

MINNESOTA

Wendell Anerson (D)

Douglas Head (R)

The belief is that HHHH will encourage straight ticket voting. Head hasn't been able to shake anything up to make Anderson too unpopular. Polls show this race with Head leading earlier this fall, but we see the ballot count this way:

Anderson 51%

Head 49%

man is forced to defend his program, reasoning (probably correctly) that if he didn't have as many "Big" Bands, there wouldn't be enough ticket sales and gate receipts for any kind of social program.

To put the social program on a strong financial basis, the new Social Board will ask that all of its budget come from the

Congress (Except extra revenue from the gate receipts from non-Centre students). This abolition of social tickets and Centre students' gate receipts would eliminate the deficits that occur from over-optimistic predictions of attendance.

This proposal, or a similar one, if adopted, will provide students with the services the present institution fails to provide: a social program on a strong financial footing and oriented towards satisfying the social needs of all Centre students.

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VERMONT

Philip H. Hoff (D)
 Winston L. Prouty (R)

The challenge by Hoff has been impressive. Many analysts rate this a toss-up. It is a clear test of a "liberal" Democrat against a "moderate" Republican. We choose to stick with tradition in Vermont; thus, we reach a conclusion which reads:

Hoff 47%
 Prouty 53%

NEW JERSEY

Harrison A. Williams (D)
 Nelson Gross (R)

Republican efforts have been quite intense to oust Williams here. Polls show Williams comfortably ahead. The analysts agree that even a Nixon visit will fail to weaken Williams enough to throw the election in doubt. And so:

Williams 54%
 Gross 46%

HAWAII-GOVERNOR

Samuel B. King (R)
 John Burns (D)

The incumbent, Burns should have little trouble being re-elected.

Burns 56%
 King 44%

Sen. Hiram W. Fong has minimal opposition and should be easily re-elected.

SOUTH CAROLINA

John C. West (D)
 Albert Watson (R)
 A. W. Betha (SCI)
 Thomas Broadwater (UC)

This is an interesting four way battle. The polls show West leading in the population centers of Charleston and Columbia. Still, South Carolina is a rural state, and Strom Thurmond is supporting Watson. This support carries weight among the South Carolinian middle class, as well as among those who think that the third party racist appeal of South Carolina Independent won't work; but that the "Southern Strategy" might net at least some minor preservation of the status quo.

Betha is spoken of in many rural areas. The write-in Negro candidate of the United Citizen's Party, however, lacks any meaningful pull among urban whites as far as can be measured. A prediction is risky, but we see an outcome, barring any major upheaval in the final two weeks, as this:

West 38%
 Watson 34%
 Betha 22%
 Broadwater 6%

ALASKA

Ted Stevens (R) 58%
 Wendell King (D) 42%

Issue: The oil pipeline: Stevens is more strongly in favor of it.

NEVADA

Mike O'Callaghan (R)
Ed Fike (D)

This race features Fike, the Lt. Governor, against a Carson City businessman. O'Callaghan has been strengthening in the polls. He has served as a state health director. Fike also was a businessman in Las Vegas, the population center, before being Lt. Governor. We say

O'Callaghan 49%
Fike 51%

Howard W. Cannon (D)
William Raggio (R)

The data indicates a very tight race. With agreement on the local issues prevalent and little attention on national troubles, we see Cannon back in the Senate. . . by a hair.

Cannon 50%
Raggio 50%

ALASKA

William Egan (D)
Keith Miller (R)

Information has been sparse in this thinly populated state. The race is said to be close with Egan leading. We guess that Miller's weak stand on the new oil pipeline for the far north will make the difference in the outcome:

Miller 49%
Egan 51%

NEW MEXICO

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Joseph M. Montoya (D)
Anderson Carter (R)

There has been little to work with as far as data is concerned. We would suspect sentiment is, with conservatism as an issue, in the incumbent's favor. Agnew's radical label has fallen on deaf ears. So we say:
Montoya 53%
Carter 47%

Pete Domenici (R)
Bruce King (D)

Here is former city commissioner of Albuquerque, Domenici, vying with a former House speaker and President of the State Constitutional Convention. Domenici is said to be gaining via his hearty advertising program. As the Republicans appear to be quite weak, we predict
Domenici 48%

King 52%

MONTANA

Mike Mansfield (D)
Harold Wallace (R)

Despite furor over gun laws etc., Mansfield should return. 53% for Mansfield
47% for Wallace

COLORADO

John A. Love (R)
Mark A. Hogan (D)

Hogan's party is still split over a running mate choice.
Love 56%
Hogan 44%

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FORECAST FOR KENTUCKY

Wed. Increasing cloudiness,
Low 60, High 75. showers
Thur. 50% chance of rain,
High 70, cooler Thursday
night
- Fri-Sat. Low Mid 30's, High
near 60, fair skies
Sun. Partly cloudy, warmer,
with temperatures ranging
1 to 3 degrees above normal

We predict the following winners in their respective states:

GOVERNOR

Michigan - Hart
Alabama - Wallace
Georgia - Carter
California - Reagan
Oklahoma - Bartlett
Oregon - McCall

SENATE

Mississippi - Stennis
Massachusetts - Kennedy
West Virginia - Byrd
Wyoming - McGee
North Dakota - Burdick
Maine - Muskie
Rhode Island - Pastore
Minnesota - Humphrey
Wisconsin - Proxmire
Missouri - Symington
Washington - Jackson

The race in Arizona between
Fennin and Grossman is close,
with Fennin given the edge.

PRECIPITATION...

Below normal amounts in these areas: Arizona, New Mexico, west Texas, and southern Nevada, as well as Montana, western Canada and the west Dakotas.

Above normal amounts in these areas: the east north central states to the Hudson Bay Shield south to include the Ohio Valley and south central Florida. Elsewhere there will be near normal amounts.

TEMPERATURE...

Five degrees or more above normal in these areas: northern Maine, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia and south Florida.

Two to five degrees over normal in these areas: inland California, west Nevada, west Arizona, New England, Mid-Atlantic states and the Hudson Bay Shield south to the Great Lakes area.

Two to five degrees below the normal average in these areas: west south central states, southern Rockies east to west Georgia, and north of the Canadian border ranging from British Columbia to Alberta.

Elsewhere near normal means are expected.

Source: National Weather Service