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“QUOTE” OF THE WEEK

“Thanks a lot kid, now get lost....”

- William Safire in his book *“Before the Fall”* about a favorite quote from a campaign warhorse to a young volunteer

Goldsmith win signals new era

Vivid contrast in store for O’Bannon

INDIANAPOLIS - A lot of theories went out the window with Mayor Stephen Goldsmith’s stunning gubernatorial primary win Tuesday. They include:

- An Indianapolis mayor can’t become mayor because none ever has.
- That Indiana is a “parochial” state divided along geographical populism.
- That a re-emergence of negative advertising is the route to victory.

With his 55-37 percent win over Rex Early, Goldsmith debunked all those theories. His support was strong in all parts of the state. He ignored Early’s negative ads in the final week. The victory sets up a confrontation with Lt. Gov. Frank O’Bannon, something akin to a political squall line that will cross the state in a furious fashion this fall. In the history of modern Hoosier politics, there hasn’t been as sharp a contrast in the approach to government than is shaping up between Goldsmith and O’Bannon.

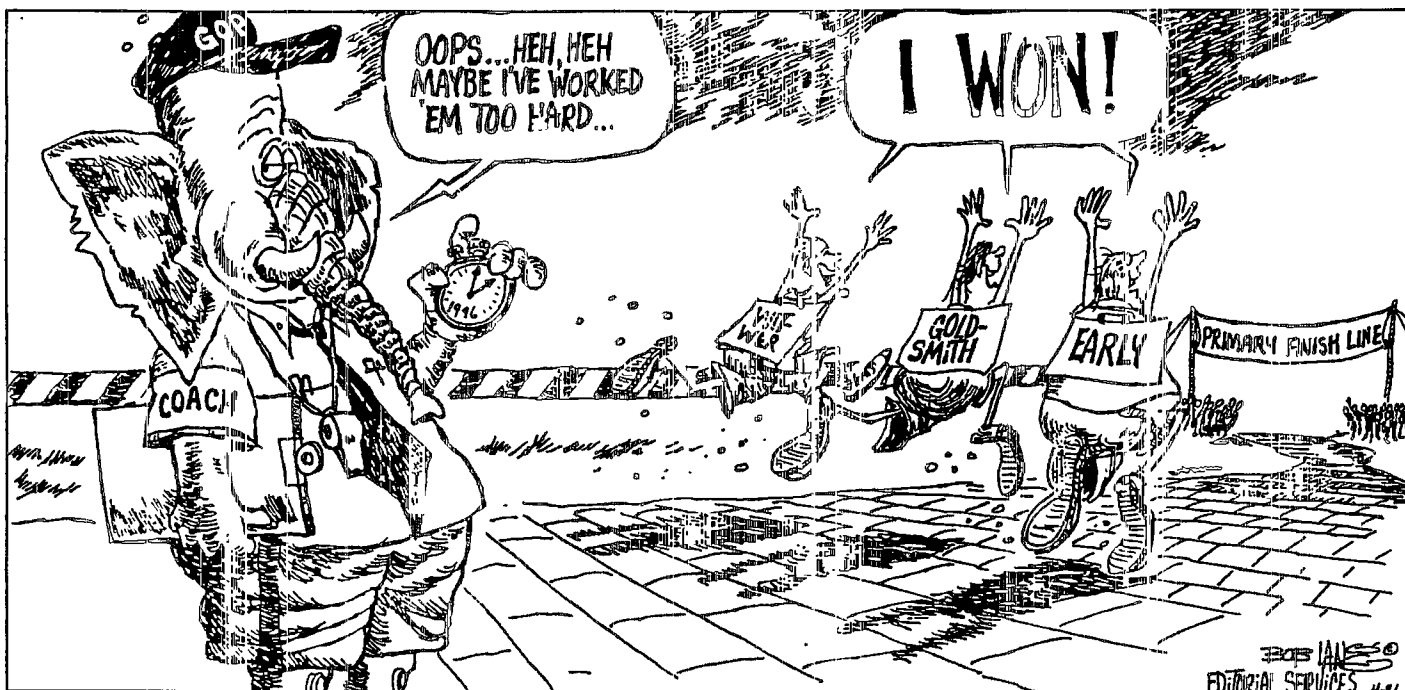
The Democrat is sounding conservative themes in his stump speech and on his first two flights of TV ads. But Goldsmith is preparing a new generation of conservatism that questions every tenet of the status quo. “Virtually everything is subject to being challenged,” Goldsmith said immediately after declaring victory (HPR Interview, pages 4-5).

As for tax reform, likely to emerge as the most dominant gubernatorial theme since Otis Bowen ran a property tax reform campaign in 1972, Goldsmith added that “comprehensive” and “dramatic” tax reform will be an issue.

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TICKER T A P E

PLAY OF THE WEEK: This jointly goes to the campaigns of Steve Goldsmith, Julia Carson, Ed Pease, Jonathon Weinzapfel and Joe Zakas who delivered victories in tough primary races. Carson's 17 percent victory over Ann DeLaney produced a torrent of dropping jaws. Pease put together a superb campaign to decisively win in a confusing and crowded primary. Goldsmith's defeat of Rex Early with a mostly positive campaign and his broad support in all regions of the state is not good news for the O'Bannon camp. Zakas won a squeaker with little cash following 11th hour attacks. All of these candidates have excellent to moderate chances for wins on Nov. 5.



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Clinton's Indiana poll strength ominous for GOP

PRESIDENT

Bill Clinton, D
Bob Dole, R
Ross Perot, Ralph Nader, I

STATUS

Leans D

HORSE RACE

COMMENT

DNC poll gives Clinton a 2-point lead over Dole in Indiana. IU poll gives Clinton a 49/44 percent pos/neg rating. McDaniel promises Dole will carry state, but Prez's numbers a GOP worry.

GOVERNOR

Stephen Goldsmith, R
Frank O'Bannon, D

LEANS R

Goldsmith win impressive. Support even across state. Has national fundraising base. But FOB no patsy. Sharp contrast in store. Fasten seatbelts.

2ND CD

Marc Carmichael, D
David McIntosh, R

LEANS R

McIntosh has big money lead, but so did Hogsett in '94. Carmichael a giant-killer. This race is the most susceptible to national dynamic.

3RD CD

Tim Roemer, D
Joe Zakas, R

TOSSUP

First tough race for Roemer since '90, but he's ready. Zakas must raise \$\$ quickly.

7TH CD

Robert Hellman, D
Ed Pease, R

LEANS R

Pease ran a great primary campaign. 7th CD should go GOP, unless Hellman freezes over.

HORSE RACE

8TH CD

John Hostettler, R
Jonathan Weinzapfel, D

STATUS

TOSSUP

COMMENTS

The Bloody 8th: Hostettler in better shape than expected (i.e. not a Newtoid). WZF another fresh face, maturing, with national \$\$ base.

9TH CD

Lee Hamilton, D
Jean Leising, R

LEANS D

Hamilton awake. Running modern campaign. National dynamic favors him ... for now.

10TH CD

Julia Carson, D
Virginia Blankenbaker, R

TOSSUP

VB must carefully assess Carson, who stunned DeLaney. District should go D, but Blankenbaker is popular and can run ground war.

30TH INDIANA HOUSE

Ron Herrell, D
Jon Padfield, R

TOSSUP

Padfield in better shape than expected. Herrell will attack with wage, militia issues.

43RD INDIANA HOUSE

John Kimmel, R
Clyde Kersey, D

TOSSUP

Both unopposed in primary. Kersey polled 7,000 votes; Kimmel 2,900. But Ds like Kimmel.

46TH INDIANA HOUSE

David Lohr, R
Vern Tincher, D

LEANS D

A rematch of '94 upset. Tincher has campaigned for 18 months. Lohr running for supt. Ripe.

74TH INDIANA HOUSE

Sally Rideout Lambert, R
Russ Stilwell, D

SAFE D

Stilwell in good position to fulfill Michael K. Phillips' revenge. Lambert won by 275 in '94.

80TH INDIANA HOUSE

John Becker, R
Ben GiaQuinta, D

LEANS D

Another '94 rematch. Dems lost by 7 votes. State committee will play bigger role.

97TH INDIANA HOUSE

Irene Heffley, R
Edmund Mahern, D

LEANS D

Heffley won by 745 in '94. Mahern wins primary easily. Another ripe plum for Democrats.

100TH INDIANA HOUSE

John Day, D
Martha Womacks, R

TOSSUP

Day lost this in '94 by 151 votes. But Dems not thrilled by Day. Womacks has a chance to retain.

40TH INDIANA HOUSE

Thomas Downey, D
Sam Turpin, R

TOSSUP

Turpin's ethics/legal woes GOP's worst nightmare in attempt to retain House control.

TICKER T A P E

COUNTY-BY-COUNTY RESULTS:

■ **ADAMS:** Early 1,139; Goldsmith 1,007; Witwer 511
 ■ **ALLEN:** Early 12,282; Goldsmith 11,231; Witwer 3,132
 ■ **BARTHOLOMEW:** Goldsmith 4,415; Early 1,955; Witwer 700
 ■ **BENTON:** Goldsmith 1,154; Early 855; Witwer 145
 ■ **BLACKFORD:** Goldsmith 685; Early 381; Witwer 174
 ■ **BOONE:** Goldsmith 4,552; Early 2,794; Witwer 544
 ■ **BROWN:** Goldsmith 821; Early 614; Witwer 107
 ■ **CARROLL:** Goldsmith 1,588; Early 1,103; Witwer 165
 ■ **CASS:** Goldsmith 2,336; Early 1,384; Witwer 358
 ■ **CLARK:** Goldsmith 1,702; Early 505; Witwer 347
 ■ **CLAY:** Goldsmith 1,642; Early 1,488; Witwer 250
 ■ **CLINTON:** Goldsmith 2,540; Early 1,375; Witwer 250
 ■ **CRAWFORD:** Early 429; Goldsmith 379; Witwer 106
 ■ **DAVISS:** Early 2,755; Goldsmith 1,401; Witwer 247
 ■ **DEARBORN:** Early 1,764; Goldsmith 1,100; Witwer 176
 ■ **DECATUR:** Goldsmith 1,816; Early 1,580; Witwer 181
 ■ **DEKALB:** Goldsmith 2,026; Early 1,592; Witwer 692
 ■ **DELAWARE:** Goldsmith 7,046; Early 2,450; Witwer 728
 ■ **DUBOIS:** Goldsmith 825; Early 708; Witwer 191
 ■ **ELKHART:** Goldsmith 9,959; Early 4,375; Witwer 996
 ■ **FAYETTE:** Goldsmith 1,174; Early 678; Witwer 95

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Goldsmith seeks 'dramatic' reform; O'Bannon constrained by 'liberals'

INDIANAPOLIS - Minutes after giving his victory speech at the Hyatt in which he declared, "All three Republican candidates have been small government candidates," Indianapolis Mayor Stephen Goldsmith conducted this press conference

QUESTION: Have you spoken to Rex?

GOLDSMITH: No. It would have been difficult. I watched his concession speech and immediately came downstairs to give mine, so I don't know if he's called. George called before Rex conceded.

JIM SHELLA: How concerned are you about the party being unified?

GOLDSMITH: There were some supporters in this campaign who were intense and personal who I would anticipate won't support me. But I thought Rex's comments were gracious and I anticipate the vast majority of the party will be supportive. But obviously there will be some fall-off.

SUSAN DILLMAN: What is your strategy for bringing the party together?

GOLDSMITH: I think we showed the strategy tonight. In that primary campaign, there was agreement on the issues. There was disagreement on personalities, on geography, on approach; but there wasn't much disagreement on the issues. One of the frustrations you all had when you covered a debate was that you didn't have anything to write about. Everybody sounded essentially the same. I think that means the Republican Party is very clear with respect to its approach to government. I'm in politics and government because I believe ideas can power opportunity for the future. Consensus on the ideas will be the way I will try to bring people together.

JOHN BARTHOLOMEW: What qualities do you want in a lieutenant governor?

GOLDSMITH: Well, let me first give a disclaimer, to which I'm serious and I want to get on the record first. We just came through a primary where two-thirds of the Republican county chairmen endorsed Rex. And I think it is important to reach out to those county chair-

men. And it is also important to reach out to the delegates at the convention. And therefore I would anticipate more direct delegate participation in the selection of lieutenant governor than has been the case in the past. At the same time, I want a high quality lieutenant governor. One who shares the same approach to government; one who is not from Indianapolis; one who carries with him or her public respect and who can be a participant in government and not just a candidate. I'll work with the state chairman and the county chairmen to narrow the list as best we can. But I'll give great deference to the county chairmen. I'm going to spend tomorrow morning calling as many party chairmen as I can. I would like to assess the lay of the land first and figure out how best to go about this. I don't want to be heavy handed, but obviously I want to win.

BRIAN HOWEY: How will you approach the rest of the ticket - Supt. Reed and the attorney general's race?

GOLDSMITH: It's a little bit different about Suellen Reed because she's the incumbent. I'd like to talk with Mike McDaniel and gather his thoughts tomorrow. But I would hope to be a participant and would like to be a strong voice. But I do not in any way expect to be significantly involved in those races. I would be less involved in choosing a lieutenant governor than has been the case in the past but I would be more involved in the lieutenant governor than I would be in selecting a superintendent of public instruction.

QUESTION: Does it bother you that Frank O'Bannon was uncontested?

GOLDSMITH: You can evaluate this in two inconsistent ways. Obviously being uncontested and having a couple million dollars in the bank is a nice position to be in. At the same time, the degree of competition in the Republican primary has had two constructive effects. One, it has displayed virtually every negative attack that could be made against me, powered by \$2 million in advertising, and it essentially had no effect in dropping my nega-

HPR INTERVIEW

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- Stephen Goldsmith



tives. Secondly, it profiled my issues. We have seen through my polling a significant increase in my lead over Frank O'Bannon during this contentious primary. The good news is I'm ahead in popular support. The bad news is he's way ahead in money. I guess I would label it a slight advantage to me, but not a dramatic one.

DILLMAN: How much money do you have left over?

GOLDSMITH: I can't decide whether I want to answer that. I don't know, but if I did know I probably wouldn't answer. We raised several million dollars, as you can tell from the reports, and spent substantially. I don't know how much I have left. This was, between Rex and me, close to \$4 million spent between us.

DILLMAN: You spent a lot of time in the 3rd CD. What did that do for you?

GOLDSMITH: First of all, to put one issue to rest, my margin of victory appears to be fairly consistent throughout Indiana; a little better in the north where we ran strong, but pretty good in the Southeast and Southwest. And no big difference outside of the Indianapolis TV market. The effort to make this a geographical race has clearly failed. That doesn't mean that geography isn't important. What it means is that voters in this state want to know where a candidate stands and how his views will help them. I believe that by profiling my position as a small-government mayor, people understand I will be responsive to issues around the state. We were very pleased at our support in the South Bend/Elkhart media market and Fort Wayne. We spent a lot of time up north and we'll have to concentrate south. The large number of voters where we spent time and money came over to my side.

HOWEY: Will tax reform be a cornerstone issue in this campaign, just as Doc Bowen used it in 1972 as a prelude to his 1973 property tax reform, and, will you consider George Witwer's spending cap proposal that Bill Styring has pushed?

GOLDSMITH: Well, that's like a four hour question and it's 10:20. Later on I will give you more detail. But let me start by saying, yes I think massive - maybe that's too strong - comprehensive tax reform will be an issue. Dramatic property tax reform, inventory tax reform,

addressing some disparities in the inheritance tax; looking at how to create a better pro-growth mixture of taxes. I also believe it would be helpful to limit government's ability to raise money. The percentage of a Hoosier's wallet that is open to taxes is up dramatically in the last eight years. Some school; some local government; some state government. It is clearly too much. So there will be a combination of spending reform suggestions and tax reform suggestions. I would be happy to go into detail but we're not quite there yet.

QUESTION: Have you decided on any areas where privatization will take place?

GOLDSMITH: Well, I think Frank is a traditional Democrat and is going to be constrained by traditional liberal support. And we'll take our small government approach throughout state government and we'll look at every area of government that can be competed out. There will be a vast array. I haven't established priorities, but I think virtually everything is subject to being challenged. I think the good state employees don't have much to worry about, but those who have just hung for a number of years will be faced with competitive pressure. We'll have a message that is not anti-government or anti-state employee, but is pro-competition. Everyone can fairly anticipate if I am elected governor that we will take the same approach to state government as we did with city government. It enhances the opportunities of quality folks but will push those just hanging on.

QUESTION: Will you be able to manage the city while campaigning?

GOLDSMITH: I believe I was inhibited in this campaign by being mayor. Some of you thought it was an advantage, but I thought it was a disadvantage. I'm going to spend no less than 40 hours a week and sometimes 50 and 60 hours a week being mayor. I did in the primary. There will be enormous pressure. I have to be mayor, I have to raise money, I have to campaign around the state. But my fundamental obligation is to be mayor. Margaret and I will take the weekend off and then I'll be back as mayor on Monday morning.



TICKER T A P E

- FLOYD: Goldsmith 1,609; Early 563; Witwer 331
- FOUNTAIN: Early 1,226; Goldsmith 963; Witwer 127
- FRANKLIN: Early 663; Goldsmith 620; Witwer 103
- FULTON: Goldsmith 1,331, Early 1,298; Witwer 140
- GIBSON: Early 971; Goldsmith 590; Witwer 185
- GRANT: Goldsmith 4,693; Early 2,725; Witwer 572
- GREENE: Early 1,609; Goldsmith 1,447; Witwer 217
- HAMILTON: Goldsmith 15,104; Early 8,415; Witwer 1,651
- HANCOCK: Goldsmith 4,367; Early 3,313; Witwer 590
- HARRISON: Goldsmith 1,057; Early 365; Witwer 291
- HENDRICKS: Goldsmith 8,125; Early 5,976; Witwer 1,221
- HENRY: Goldsmith 3,462; Early 2,640; Witwer 508
- HOWARD: Goldsmith 5,034; Early 3,242; Witwer 522
- HUNTINGTON: Goldsmith 2,362; Early 1,801; Witwer 672
- JACKSON: Goldsmith 1,491; Early 1,016; Witwer 220
- JASPER: Goldsmith 2,610, Early 1,455; Witwer 277
- JAY: Goldsmith 1,309; Early 1,200, Witwer 320
- JEFFERSON: Goldsmith 776, Early 608; Witwer 218
- JENNINGS: Goldsmith 1,205; Early 771; Witwer 311
- JOHNSON: Goldsmith 9,014; Early 5,807; 1,150
- KNOX: Early 2,706; Goldsmith 875; Witwer 122

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- **KOSCIUSKO:** Goldsmith 5,233; Early 4,071; Witwer 593
- **LaGRANGE:** Goldsmith 1,586; Early 1,206; Witwer 293
- **LAKE:** Goldsmith 9,456, Early 3,443, Witwer 1,352
- **LaPORTE:** Goldsmith 3,961, Early 2,706; Witwer 430
- **LAWRENCE:** Goldsmith 2,640, Early 1,529, Witwer 1,009
- **MADISON:** Goldsmith 8,484, Early 3,737, Witwer 808
- **MARION:** Goldsmith 43,354; Early 28,739; Witwer 5,355
- **MARSHALL:** Goldsmith 2,000; Early 1,658, Witwer 196
- **MARTIN:** Early 602; Goldsmith 423; Witwer 113
- **MIAMI:** Goldsmith 2,008; Early 1,614; Witwer 185
- **MONROE:** Goldsmith 5,600; Early 1,887; Witwer 469
- **MONTGOMERY:** Goldsmith 4,442; Early 2,333; Witwer 366
- **MORGAN:** Early 4,481; Goldsmith 4,419; Witwer 734
- **NEWTON:** Goldsmith 910; Early 641; Witwer 94
- **NOBLE:** Early 1,509; Goldsmith 1,367; Witwer 1,046
- **OHIO:** Early 234; Goldsmith 82; Witwer 15
- **ORANGE:** Early 1,202; Goldsmith 1,055; Witwer 185
- **OWEN:** Early 936; Goldsmith 932; Witwer 127
- **PARKE:** Early 1,288; Goldsmith 1,061; Witwer 148
- **PERRY:** Early 472; Goldsmith 269; Witwer 75
- **PIKE:** Early 751; Goldsmith

Goldsmith, O'Bannon begin the LG search; HPR handicaps those most likely to ascend

INDIANAPOLIS - The race for lieutenant governor - simmering for as long as two years - is now on the front burner.

It was personified by State Rep. Bill Friend of Miami County, who stood at Goldsmith's victory celebration and handed out stickers to potential supporters. "We're working to find 1,130 delegates," said Friend. "We'll do it through mail and the telephone."

HPR is handicapping the leading contenders:

■ **Connie Nass:** The former mayor of Huntingburg gives Goldsmith gender and geographical flexibility. She has worked tirelessly for two years and has developed rapport with the county chairs Goldsmith is reaching out to.

■ **Sen. Steve Johnson:** Would give Goldsmith inroads in the Senate, where he'll have to work with the Glimmer Twins: Borst and Mills. Senate Republicans are pushing him.

■ **Rep. Bill Friend:** A rural, working partner from the House. Sources tell HPR he has made a decent impression in the Goldsmith camp.

■ **Mayor Paul Helmke:** He is not actively seeking the nomination, but would accept if offered. Helmke's strengths are that he would bring Fort Wayne's slow privatization efforts into the mix, which could help if O'Bannon finds a crease in the Indy experiment. Helmke's chief liability is his support of early Clinton administration initiatives.

■ **Clerk of Courts John Okeson:** A potential rising star, a fresh face with no barnacles. He brings to the table a Fort Wayne power base. He is acceptable to many county chairs whom he worked with in his successful '94 campaign and has received the OK to proceed from several chairs in the most populous counties. May be the emerging dark horse.

■ **Sen. Sue Landske:** Serves on the Senate Finance Committee and has a base in vital Lake County. She supplies the gender, geographical and legislative requirements and comes with a mature, yet kindly demeanor that could help soften Goldsmith's wonkiness.

■ **George Witwer:** The third place finisher in the gubernatorial race has proven to be a tireless worker. His state spending cap proposal may find its way into Goldsmith's tax reform package. Witwer's numbers in Allen, Lake, Johnson, Vanderburgh, Tippecanoe and St. Joseph counties were respectable. One liability is he has never won an election in his home of Wells County.

1996 WATCH

On the Democratic side, the attention appears to be centered on four candidates:

■ **South Bend Mayor Joe Kernan:** A Vietnam war hero, Kernan is a popular two-term seated in the heart of Goldsmith's northern strategy. Appears to be the current front-runner.

■ **Attorney General Pam Carter:** She told HPR the day she declined to seek re-election that she didn't want to run for anything this year. But many believe she would be the "bold" choice. If Dole puts Colin Powell on the ticket, Carter could help O'Bannon maintain his central city bases.

■ **Jill Long Thompson:** A casualty of the '94 GOP tsunami, Long ran statewide in '86 versus Quayle. A true "New Democrat" from the Democratic Leadership Council, she is adored by Democrats in Northern Indiana from Valpo to Fort Wayne. Currently an Under Secretary of Agriculture, she's available.

■ **Baron Hill:** Labor's choice who ran statewide v. Coats in '90. A good orator who would provide O'Bannon with a generational contrast.

O'Bannon told HPR Wednesday, "We're starting the process. We're looking at who would make the best partner and the best candidate and it ranges on a whole variety of variables: gender, geography, past experience."

O'Bannon said of the time frame, "I'll be in a position to recommend a candidate no later than the week of the convention, June 8."

PERHAPS.. WE WANDER

By Brian Howey

The final hours of the Early campaign

INDIANAPOLIS - The fact that Stephen Goldsmith had a "victory" fundraiser Monday night - less than 12 hours before the polls opened - was an affront to the Rex Early for Governor campaign.

How arrogant, State Rep. Mike Young, observed. "You know, Rex has a saying about that: 'You don't grease the pan until the bass is in the boat.'"

Yet, almost every bit of scientific polling data leading up to Tuesday's campaign had the pan greased while the bobber was sucked beneath the water's surface. But Young insisted that the polls were missing Early's support consisting of Butternut Hoosiers, party officials and their extended family and friends, and Reagan Democrats.

On Monday, squads of Early volunteers headed up U.S. 31 and I-69 to make 13,000 phone calls in South Bend and Fort Wayne. Goldsmith failed to respond to Early attack ads on a lack of a tax decrease or a budget surplus during Goldsmith's tenure as mayor. Party chairs that had endorsed Early were phone banking and twisting elbows.

By Tuesday morning, the scenario seemed to settle across soggy Indiana for what HPR called last week "the upset of the century." It rained; the skies were murky. When I voted at Morristown, pollworkers said turnout was dismal throughout Shelby County.

By 7 p.m., the first results were coming in. Some party chairs, like Rush County's Jean Ann Harcourt, were delivering. The Marion County lead was in the 56-37 percent range. Early campaign workers split up between the North Meridian Street headquarters and the bash in progress at Holiday Inn Northwest.

Early was uncharacteristically quiet, emerging from his headquarters office to hug the grandkids. WTHR-TV's Anne Ryder came on the air and told the state that, "They're rocking and rolling" at Goldsmith's Hyatt digs.

Young, Patrick Early, Dick Freeland, Jim Bopp and others hovered nervously at the HQ. They were having trouble getting numbers.

"Rex won Wells County," someone said.

They listened as WTHR-TV commentator Jeff Modisett told the world of Early that people "either love him or hate him." Early's wife, Barbara, sat with arms folded, quietly responding, "Nobody hates Rex, except for Goldsmith's people."

Around 8:15, the staff told Early, "The ratio seems to be holding."

There was an ember of hope as plans were made for the entourage to head to the Holiday Inn, but Early insisted, "I don't want to get there and not say anything."

But by 8:30, fate had settled in on the jovial ex-chairman. The campaign didn't work. The ads on crime claiming New York City was safer than Indianapolis had backfired. And Goldsmith's TV-inspired popularity reaching half the state on a nightly basis was far too much for the apparatus of county chairmen to overcome. The irony was that both he and ex-Indiana Week In Review TV partner Ann DeLaney had both lost big. Early retired to his office to write his own concession speech.

At 8:45, Young acknowledged the good fight. "Unless there's something different, I just don't see how we'll make up the difference."

Early entered the Holiday Inn ballroom, shook dozens of hands, and then took the stage, the TV image quickly filling up the big screen at Goldsmith's headquarters eight miles and a world away. "It's unfortunate, but it's not meant to be," a teary-eyed Early said. "There is life after primaries."

As a former state chairman "who loves the Republican Party, I ask you to unite behind our candidate - Steve Goldsmith." The Early throng stood, silently.

And Early begged compassion for the 65 county chairmen who stuck their necks out for him. "It wasn't their fault," he said. "They didn't have a good candidate."

TICKER T A P E

410; Witwer 99
 ■ PORTER: Goldsmith 7,342; Early 2,847; Witwer 783
 ■ POSEY: Early 859; Goldsmith 440; Witwer 89
 ■ PULASKI: Early 832; Goldsmith 732; Witwer 96
 ■ PUTNAM: Goldsmith 1,848; Early 1,689; Witwer 294
 ■ RANDOLPH: Goldsmith 2,003; Early 1,306; Witwer 218
 ■ RIPLEY: Goldsmith 1,234; Early 1,086; Witwer 159
 ■ RUSH: Early 1,897; Goldsmith 1,666; Witwer 214
 ■ ST. JOSEPH: Goldsmith 8,476; Early 4,239; Witwer 1,005
 ■ SCOTT: Witwer 322; Goldsmith 284; Early 160
 ■ SHELBY: Goldsmith 2,636; Early 2,019; Witwer 258
 ■ SPENCER: Early 1,053; Goldsmith 752; Witwer 142
 ■ STARKE: Goldsmith 738; Early 659; Witwer 84
 ■ STEUBEN: Goldsmith 1,816; Early 1,650; Witwer 354
 ■ SULLIVAN: Early 784; Goldsmith 529; Witwer 86
 ■ SWITZERLAND: Early 206; Goldsmith 172; Witwer 44
 ■ TIPPECANOE: Goldsmith 10,439; Early 4,242; Witwer 1,553
 ■ TIPTON: Goldsmith 1,788; Early 1,367; Witwer 172
 ■ UNION: Goldsmith 472; Early 93; Witwer 63
 ■ VANDERBURGH: Goldsmith 5,975; Early 5,539; Witwer 1,062
 ■ VERMILLION: Goldsmith 436; Early 412; Witwer 43

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T A P E

- VIGO: Goldsmith 3,486; Early 2,619; Witwer 441
- WABASH: Early 2,336; Goldsmith 2,304; Witwer 486
- WARREN: Goldsmith 586; Early 451; Witwer 82
- WARRICK: Early 2,092; Goldsmith 1,909; Witwer 226
- WASHINGTON: Goldsmith 1,340; Early 798; Witwer 296
- WAYNE: Goldsmith 5,425; Early 2,524; Witwer 784
- WELLS: Early 951; Goldsmith 836; Witwer 764
- WHITE: Goldsmith 2,627; Early 1,670; Witwer 264
- WHITLEY: Early 1,438; Goldsmith 1,403; Witwer 442
- TOTALS: Goldsmith 296,829; Early 203,433; Witwer 44,560**

Unlike Joe Hogsett in 1994, Democrat Marc Carmichael has agreed to U.S. Rep. David McIntosh's pledge not to raise taxes. "We don't need to raise taxes," Carmichael told the *Anderson Herald-Bulletin*.

U.S. Rep. John Hostettler received only a 73 percent rating on the Christian Coalition's report card, lowest of the Indiana delegation (William Douglas, *Newsday*). The CC backed Hostettler in 1994.

Ann DeLaney tried to buy additional TV time in the last week of her 10th CD campaign, but couldn't. All the local TV advertising time had been bought up. She lost by 17 points to Julia Carson.

Goldsmith, from page 1

O'Bannon set out to corner Goldsmith on issues ranging from 12 debates, a campaign spending cap, no negative advertising and a full-term pledge on Wednesday morning, with Goldsmith accepting in principle.

O'Bannon acknowledged that Goldsmith would try to paint him as a liberal. "He's looking at me as a liberal," O'Bannon told HPR from Fort Wayne. "But every big tax increase came under Republican governors and I voted against them all."

But Goldsmith has taken the approach of challenging the status quo developed under his Republican predecessor mayors in Indianapolis. Goldsmith maneuvered so far beyond the flank of the Republican Party that it spawned the Rex Early campaign that tried to portray Goldsmith as disloyal to the party faithful. Powerful legislators like Republican State Sen. Larry Borst talk derisively about Goldsmith and they sneer at George Witwer's state spending cap proposals.

"Everyone can fairly anticipate if I am elected governor that we will take the same approach to state government that we did with city government," Goldsmith vowed.

O'Bannon is planning to talk about the economic development successes of the Bayh-O'Bannon administration, with a claim of "unfinished business" that will allow the Democrat to emerge from behind the shadow of Gov. Evan Bayh.

O'Bannon is also expressing interest in some core '96 Republican proposals, such as an end to inventory and inheritance taxes, as well as Witwer's spending cap. "All of that we'll look at," O'Bannon said. "We're still in a 19th Century tax structure. We have to go into the 21st Century looking at progress."

To blunt Goldsmith's competitive government flanking around the Early wing of the party, O'Bannon will be compelled to attack the mayor's city privatization efforts. "I think there are places for privatization," he said, "but you have a responsibility to be accountable."

Both men face contrasts within their own parties. Goldsmith finds several Congressional nominees like Virginia Blankenbaker in the 10th CD and Ed Pease in the 7th CD who are moderate Republicans. O'Bannon will preach economic success, as will President Clinton, while Congressional nominees will be forced to accent economic inequities.

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