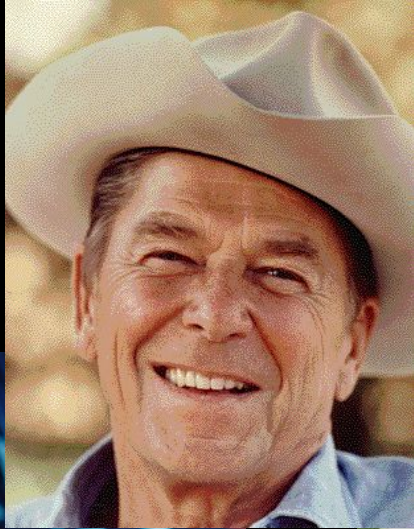


Ronald Reagan

1980's- New Conservatism



America in 1980

- Compared to the 1960s:
 - Older
 - Moving to Sunbelt
- “New Right” Movement
 - Response to cultural protests of 1960s
 - Response to counter cultural movement
 - Response to Women’s Movement



ELECTION 1980

- Republican – Reagan/Bush
- Democrat – Carter/Mondale



Political Party
Republican
Democratic

Presidential Nominee
Ronald Reagan
Jimmy Carter

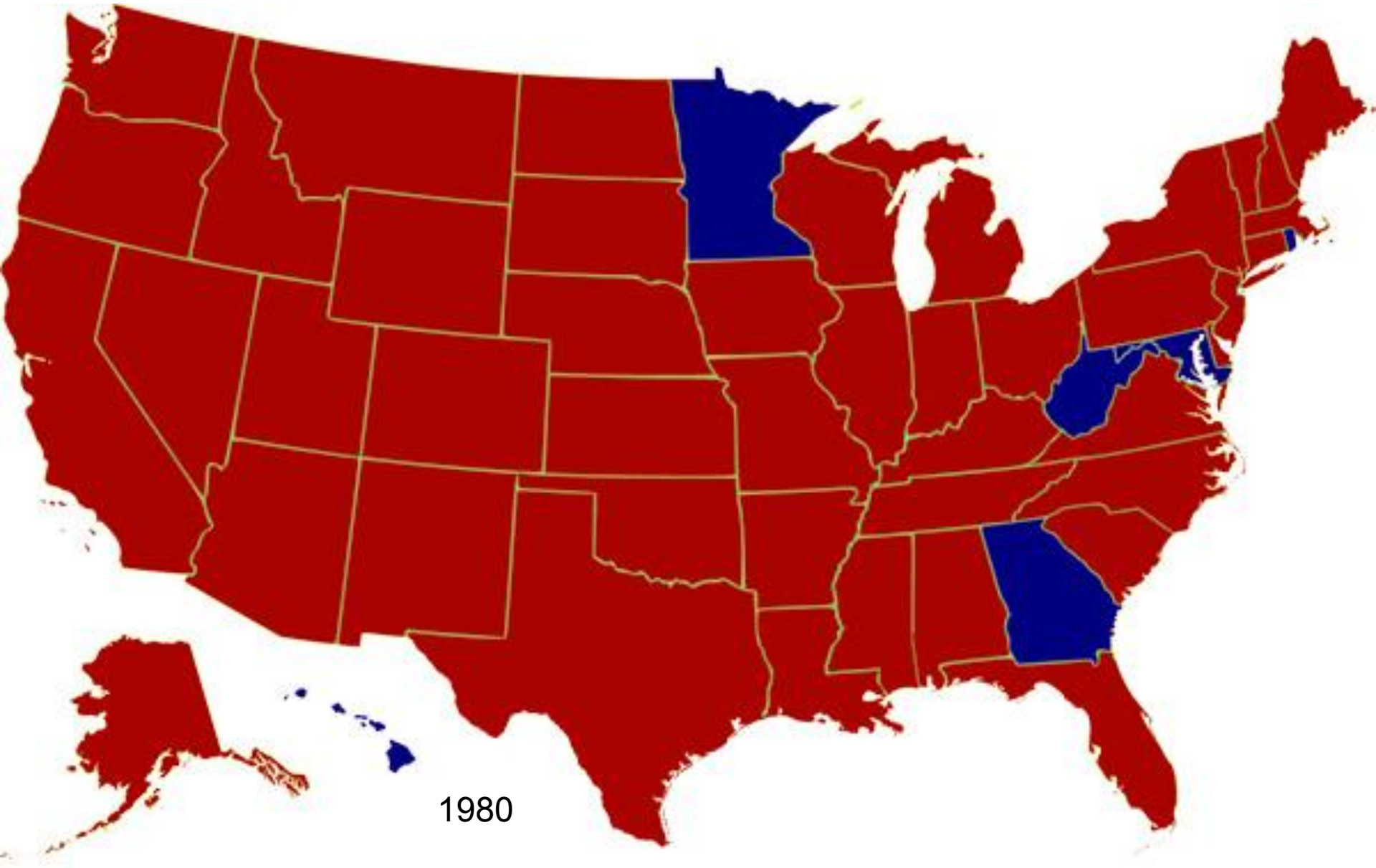
VP Nominee
George H.W. Bush
Walter Mondale

Electoral

489
49

Popular

43,904,153
35,483,883
%
50.7
40.1



HOSTAGES RELEASED - INAUGURATION DAY

"All the News
That's Fit to Print"

The New York Times

LATE CITY EDITION
 Weather: Partly sunny today; mostly
 cloudy and cold tonight and tomorrow.
 Temperature ranges today 38-50,
 tomorrow 36-41. Details on page 2-D.

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REAGAN TAKES OATH AS 40TH PRESIDENT; PROMISES AN 'ERA OF NATIONAL RENÉWAL'

MINUTES LATER, 52 U.S. HOSTAGES IN IRAN FLY TO FREEDOM AFTER 444-DAY ORDEAL

'ALIVE, WELL AND FREE'

**Teheran Captors
Call Out Insults
As the 52 Leave**

By JOHN ED NALE
 Staff Writer of The New York Times

TEHRAN, Iran, Jan. 20 — The 52 American hostages began to file down the runway to freedom today minutes as President Reagan was taking his inaugural oath.

As the Algerians led all from Midway Island Airport, ending 444 days of captivity for the Americans, they could see some of their captors for the last time. A 10-foot plume of the sharp white, point of the Islamic flag trailed to the north. The time was 9:55 P.M., 12:30 P.M. New York time.

"It is a great day in America," said the young Islamic militant who led the party of the hostages to the runway, leading them to the plane of the plane.

"They are the 'Former Hostages'!"

The American diplomats, Marine guards and the other hostages were lined up with checked rifles, and a line of black flags. As they loaded the plane, two young Muslims, the heads of the 20 planes up against the wall, took down and threw the rifles and pointed them through the window toward the American plane with its red and white stars and stripes on the tail.



FREEZE SET ON HIRING

**Californian Stresses Need
to Restrict Government
and Buoy Economy**

By STEVEN R. WEISMAN
 Staff Writer of The New York Times

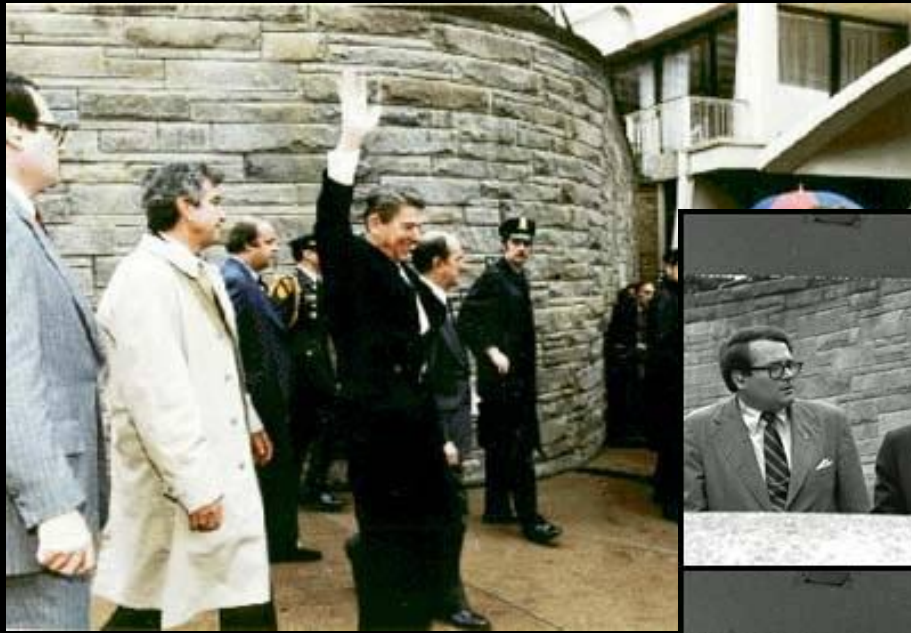
WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 — Ronald Reagan of California, promising "an era of national renewal," became the 40th President of the United States today as 52 Americans held hostage in Iran were leading toward freedom.

The hostages, whose 44 months of captivity had been a central focus of the presidential campaign last year, took off from Tehran on two Boeing 707 airplanes at 10:25 P.M. Eastern standard time, the very airplane that Mr. Reagan was departing his suburban Inglewood Airport at the United States Capitol.

The new President's speech, however, made his reference as all to the long and release of the hostages, a major goal of his campaign. He said the process of the Federal Government, and to bring an end to strengthening and efficient Government to the President.

"Nothing to be done immediately to deal with," he promised all cause of great persistence," Mr. Reagan declared. "It is the primary crisis, government to deal the solution to our problems, government to deal with it."

11:57 A.M. Ronald Reagan being sworn in as 40th President by Chief Justice Warren E. Burger.



Assassination Attempt

“Honey, I forgot to duck”.

Religious Right

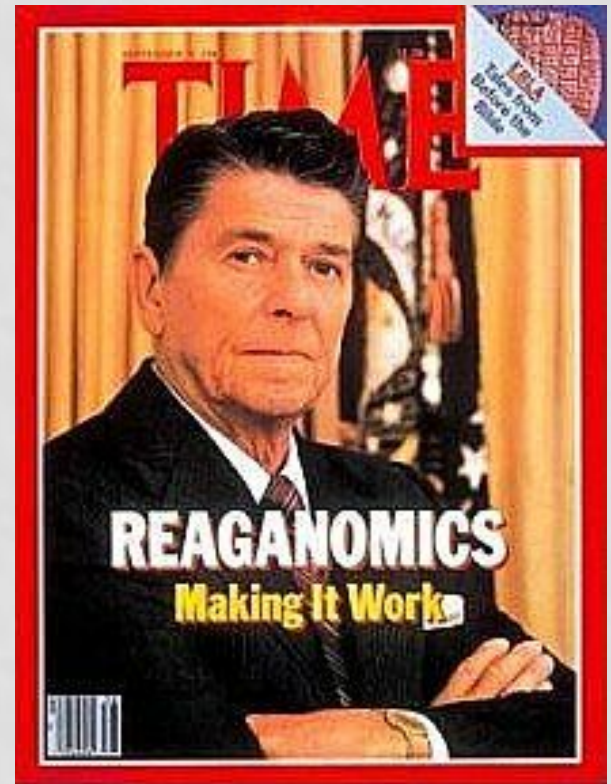


- Conservative, evangelical Christians
- Jerry Falwell's "Moral Majority"- became a political force
- Right-to-life and prayer in schools are primary issues



“SUPPLY SIDE” ECONOMICS

- If people pay fewer taxes, they will save more money and put those funds into banks
- Banks can then loan that money to businesses, increasing productivity
- Increased productivity leads to an increase in the supply of goods which causes prices to drop



Reaganomics- “Supply Side” Economics

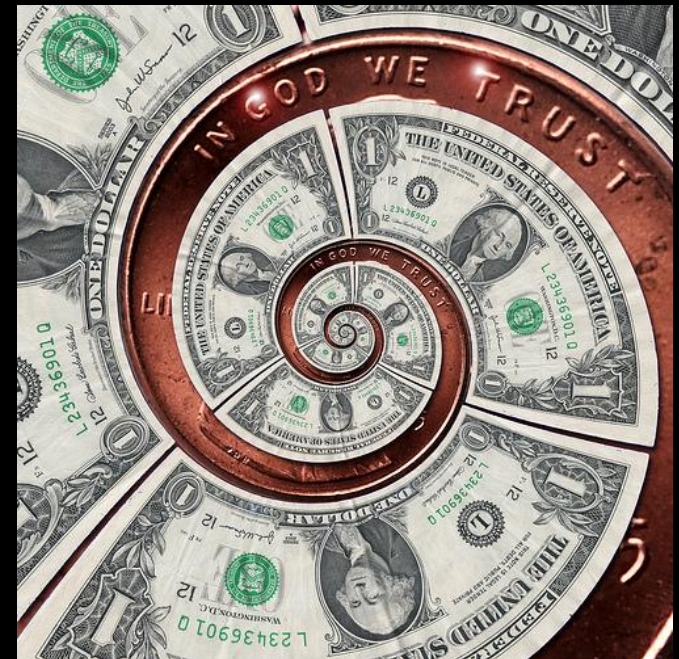
Tax cuts



The Theory behind Supply-Side Economics

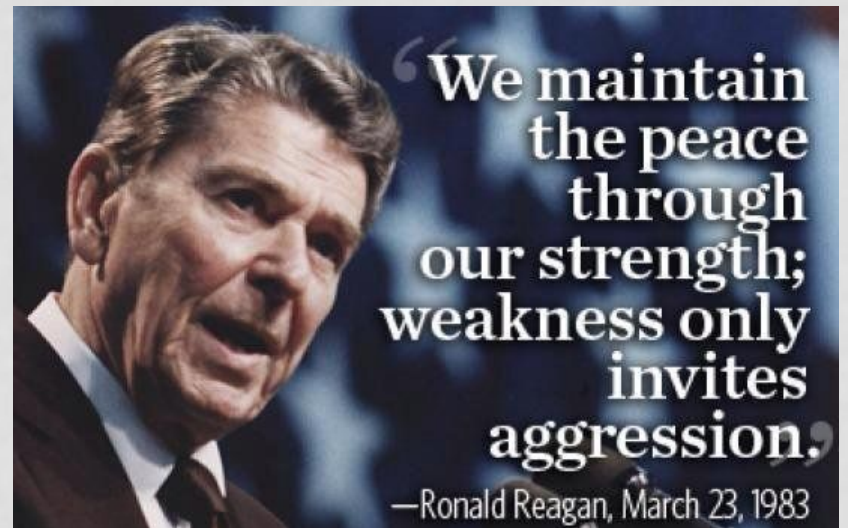


“Trickle Down”...



WHERE MONEY WAS SPENT

- Economic Goal: Reduce the federal budget by \$35 billion while increasing defense spending
 - Largest military build up during peacetime
- Peace through Strength – to discourage other countries from engaging the US military



REAGANOMICS

- Reduce government power by deregulation
- Cutting back on the federal control of industry/economy
 - Airline industry
 - Savings and loans
 - Removed price controls on oil

Economic Legacy

- Reduced taxes and increased military spending → huge deficit
- Huge deficit curbed future welfare state
- Growing income gap
- Deregulation of economy



Lebanon Violence

- U.S. forces sent to Beirut as part of an international peacekeeping force
- Suicide bomber crashed into barracks and killed 241 Marines
- Reagan withdrew troops



SUPREME COURT

- Sandra Day O'Connor
 - First female justice
- Two other court appointments cause a shift in the court to more conservative policies



ELECTION OF 1984

- Republican – Reagan/Bush
- Democrat – Mondale/Ferraro
 - VP Candidate – Geraldine Ferraro – first woman on major party ticket



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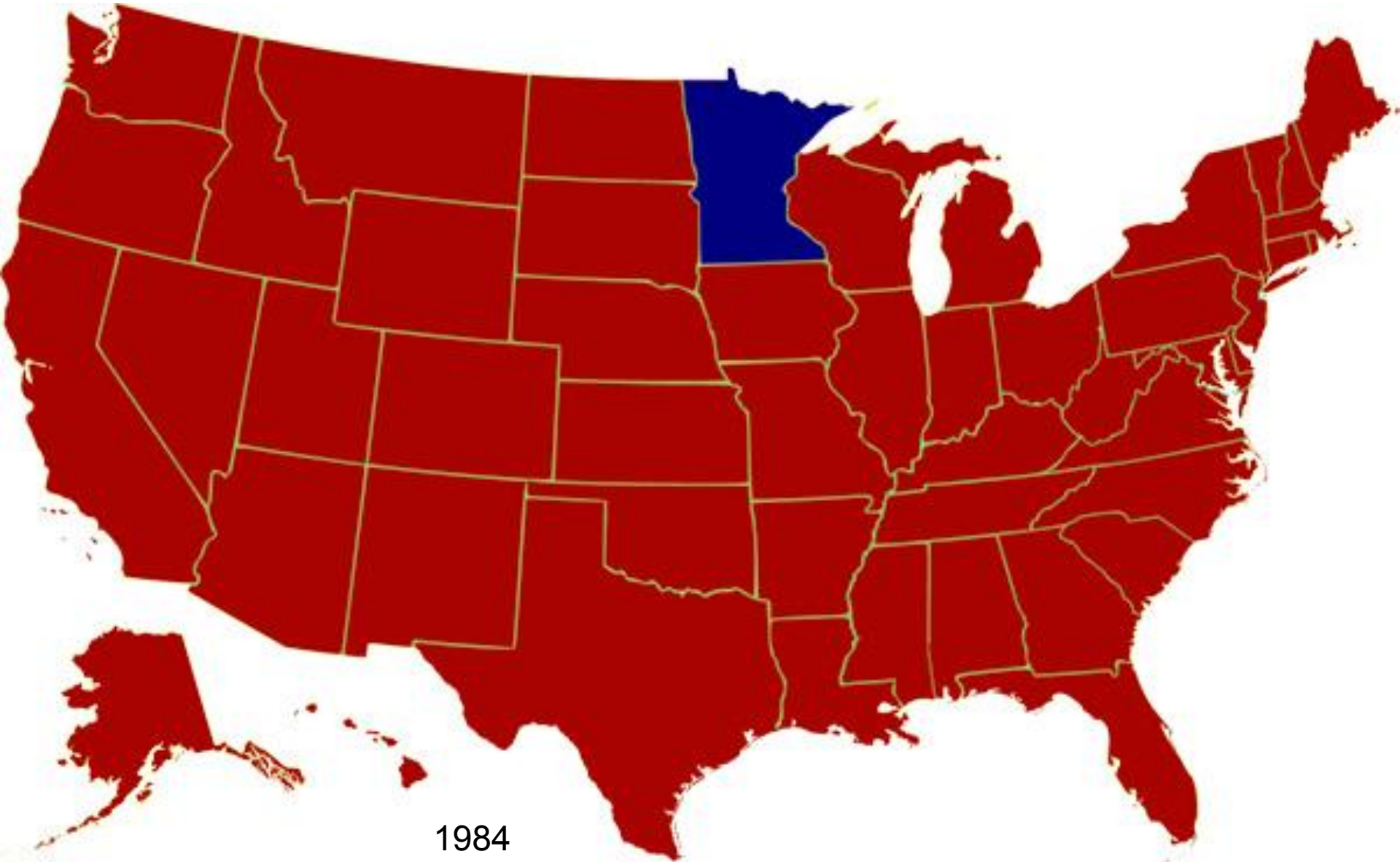
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Popular

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%
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40.6



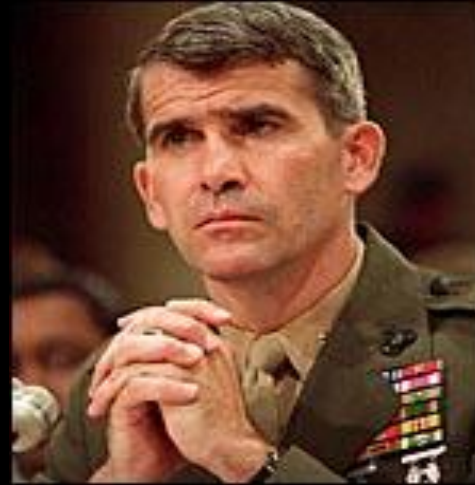
1984

IRAN CONTRA AFFAIR

- Two Problems:
 - Americans taken hostage in Lebanon by terrorists
 - Congress refused to appropriate funds to help contra rebels in Nicaragua
- Solution: Officials secretly sold arms to Iranians
 - Money from sales sent to contra rebels
 - Iranians help in negotiations to release hostages
- Reaction from public: Actions of executive branch were unconstitutional
 - Money sent to other countries by the US is congress' choice

Iran–Contra Affair

North



Poindexter



Weinberger

Public uproar:

- “Teflon” Reagan: maintained his innocence
- Oliver North and John Poindexter-guilty of criminal behavior (convictions reversed on appeal)
- Sec. of Defense Caspar Weinberger-pardoned before put on trial