

City's First Black Mayor Philadelphia elects its first black mayor

PHILADELPHIA — Democrat W. Wilson Goode, the son of a former North Carolina sharecropper, defeated Republican John Egan easily yesterday to become the first black mayor of the nation's fourth largest city.

"I said all along I was running to be mayor of all the people and I intend to be mayor of all the people of this city. I'll be a good mayor. I'll work hard. God bless all of you," Goode told thousands of supporters at Civic Center.

He said the city faces a number of problems and all of its citizens, "blacks, whites, Asians and Hispanics," will have to work together to solve them.

Goode had jumped to an early lead, then briefly fell behind, but later

forged ahead to stay.

Goode, 44, who has led in all the polls since the May primary, was opposed by Egan, independent Democrat Thomas Leonard and Socialist Worker candidate Bill Osteen. The returns did not include Osteen.

With 99 percent of the vote counted, Goode had 387,266 votes, or 55 percent; Egan had 259,478, or 37 percent, and Leonard had 55,739, or 8 percent.

Goode's victory makes Philadelphia the fourth city among the nation's six largest to be led by blacks, joining Chicago, Los Angeles and Detroit. Four others have tried since 1967 to break the color barrier at City Hall and failed.

"I think the city is



W. Wilson Goode

going to get a mayor who is entering the office with more experience on the inside than anyone else I've known in my lifetime," said outgoing Mayor William J.

Green, who hired Goode as managing director, the top job in his Cabinet. Goode served in that capacity for three years until he resigned to run for mayor.

Black Farmers In Danger Of Losing Land-Livelihood

America's black farmers are in danger of losing their land and their livelihood because of lingering racism and President Reagan's policies, speakers told a Texas State Fair conference.

"The Reagan administration knows what the plight of the small farmer is — particularly the black farmer — but they choose not to do anything about it," Rep. Mickey Leland, D-Tex., told the conference of about 100 black farmers.

More than "92 percent of black farmers market less than \$20,000 annually in crops," Leland said.

The conference this week was called by Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower as part of "Texas Black Farmer Day."

"Black farmers and ranchers have unique problems," Hightower said. "They've been the first to lose their land, the last to get desperately needed credit and too often they are shut out of normal marketing channels."

Before the conference Hightower said, "We want to explore the history and the current status of Texas black farmers and propose ways

that the (Texas Department of Agriculture), along with other state institutions, can assure that the future of black farmers is more prosperous than the past."

Many of the black farmers suggested that the Reagan administration institute some type of parity program.

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"At least this would ensure that the farmer would be getting a fair price for his crops," said

James Lynn, 63, a dairy and hay farmer from the town of Martin, 28 miles south of Waco.

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Nevada Power today kicked off another program to help consumers cut energy costs. Attic insulation is one of the best conservation investments a homeowner can make, according to Mel Sutton, manager of the company's Energy Conservation and Load Management Dept.

Sutton said the company will provide a free inspection of customers' homes and evaluate their insulation requirements. Easy financing is available through the company with no money down and 12 months to

pay at a low interest rate.

Sutton said, "We're trying to reach owners of many of the older and even more recently built homes that do not have enough insulation. We want to help them get ready for the colder winter months."

Sutton said the power company is making it convenient for homeowners to add or insulate for the first time, with one-day insulation, a choice of approved contractors and a company guarantee of the amount and quality of all materials installed.

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