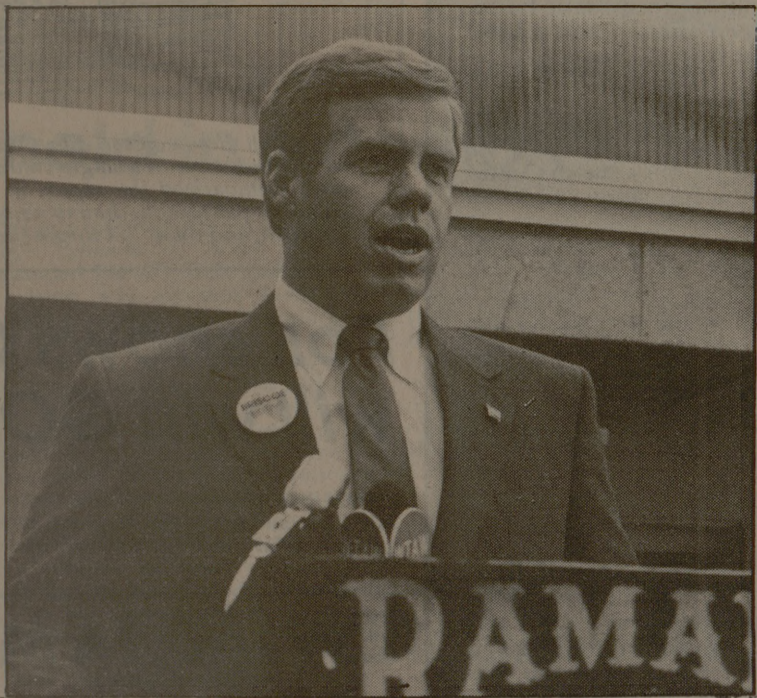


State and Local

polls, endorsements fuel candidate's hopes

Briscoe optimistic about campaign

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Andrew Briscoe, Democratic gubernatorial candidate

With two favorable polls and several endorsements from educators, Democratic gubernatorial candidate Andrew Briscoe III, said Thursday he is looking forward to running against Bill Clements in the race for Texas governor.

In a final campaign swing before the primary election Saturday, Briscoe talked to a group of five at the Regency Station Ramada Inn.

A Dallas businessman and 1974 M.D. graduate, Briscoe is one of five Democratic candidates running for governor. He is a second cousin to former Texas Gov. Dolph Briscoe.

While most polls show him in third place behind Gov. Mark White and Lt. Gov. Don Crowder, Briscoe referred to a University of Dallas poll showing White in the lead with 37 percent of the vote and himself in second with 17 percent.

In a recent Gallup poll commissioned by *The Dallas Morning News*, Briscoe came in second with 17 percent of the vote, while White led the pack with 50 percent.

His recent gains are largely due to endorsements from several education groups around the state, he said, such as the East Texas Education Committee, United Texas Educators and a Starr County educators group.

"During my campaign, my first objective was to go to the protest voters," Briscoe said. "The educators are protesting the present administration and the way they've abused

House Bill 72. So I'm opening up the lines of communication with educators in order to offer them more."

"Mark White has definitely offended not only the teachers, but the farmers and ranchers."

"We've made substantial gains particularly with these endorsements throughout the state of

Texas. And that's why I'm saying there's definitely going to be a runoff in the Democratic primary."

Briscoe said Clements would be the easiest Republican candidate to run against because, while governor, Clements displayed lack of diplomacy and personality.

"I don't care how much he smiles," Briscoe said, "he's still the same Bill Clements he was four years ago, and I can't believe the citizens would want another four years."

Popular among both educators and farmers, Briscoe said he's hoping for low voter turnout in the primaries because the low turnout would be in the rural areas.

In his education platform, Briscoe said he is against the Texas Examination of Current Administrators and Teachers. Instead he suggested that future results of the test go into each teacher's files to be used in the 1987 evaluation process on a local basis — not a statewide one.

On the subject of no-pass, no-play, Briscoe said he would like to shorten the penalty period from six weeks to either two or three weeks, because six weeks is too long to be penalized in a 10 or 11 week period.

Briscoe also said the state's budgetary problems need to be addressed much more aggressively than in the past. He proposes a reduction in the governor's salary and a decrease in oil drilling permit fees, which he said were increased 800 percent under White.

"I'd like to think the state could make it through the next four years without a tax increase," he said. "But the feeling from the citizens is that they'd much rather consider a sales tax as a potential source of income above any others including a lottery or parimutuel betting."

State official expects more voters than in '82 primaries

AUSTIN (AP) — Secretary of State Myra McDaniel predicts about 1 million voters will take part in Saturday's Democratic primary and about 400,000 in the Republican primary.

That would surpass voter turnout in 1982, the last gubernatorial election, for each party.

A total of 400,000 voters for the Repub-

lican primary would set a record, surpassing the 390,000 voting in 1972.

However, Ms. McDaniel, the state's chief election officer, stressed that the predicted turnout was low compared with the number of Texans who could vote if so desired.

"Voters will not be interested in participating in the primary elections because the final decisions will

not be made until this fall when the general election is held," she said.

About 7.9 million Texans are registered and eligible to vote Saturday, her office said.

In 1982, with 6.5 million potential voters, the Democratic turnout of 1.3 million gave Mark White the Democratic nomination for governor.

A GOP turnout of 265,794 in 1982 led to Bill Clements gaining the party nomination for a second term, only to have White win in November.

A new poll published Thursday showed Clements with 62 percent support from Republicans likely to vote Saturday.

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2.02cts	7,950 ⁰⁰	14,500 ⁰⁰
2.16cts	4,985 ⁰⁰	8,950 ⁰⁰
1.92cts	4,575 ⁰⁰	7,500 ⁰⁰
1.57cts	3,875 ⁰⁰	5,900 ⁰⁰
1.52cts	4,395 ⁰⁰	6,300 ⁰⁰
1.55cts	3,575 ⁰⁰	6,200 ⁰⁰
1.41cts	3,475 ⁰⁰	5,700 ⁰⁰
1.33cts	3,495 ⁰⁰	6,800 ⁰⁰
1.25cts	2,875 ⁰⁰	5,500 ⁰⁰
1.25cts	2,195 ⁰⁰	4,200 ⁰⁰
1.20cts	2,095 ⁰⁰	3,975 ⁰⁰
1.12cts	1,985 ⁰⁰	3,800 ⁰⁰
1.12cts	1,675 ⁰⁰	2,975 ⁰⁰
1.09cts	1,825 ⁰⁰	5,500 ⁰⁰
1.09cts	2,825 ⁰⁰	5,500 ⁰⁰
1.08cts	2,395 ⁰⁰	4,850 ⁰⁰
1.08cts	2,795 ⁰⁰	5,350 ⁰⁰
1.06cts	1,875 ⁰⁰	3,850 ⁰⁰
1.06cts	1,875 ⁰⁰	3,850 ⁰⁰
1.03cts	3,235 ⁰⁰	5,975 ⁰⁰
1.01cts	1,850 ⁰⁰	3,850 ⁰⁰
1.02cts	2,695 ⁰⁰	5,350 ⁰⁰
1.01cts	1,950 ⁰⁰	3,850 ⁰⁰
1.01cts	1,950 ⁰⁰	3,850 ⁰⁰
1.00cts	2,095 ⁰⁰	4,200 ⁰⁰
1.00cts	2,075 ⁰⁰	4,175 ⁰⁰
1.00cts	1,950 ⁰⁰	3,950 ⁰⁰
.96pts	1,520 ⁰⁰	2,975 ⁰⁰
.97pts	1,975 ⁰⁰	2,850 ⁰⁰
.93pts	1,650 ⁰⁰	3,300 ⁰⁰
.82pts	1,295 ⁰⁰	2,500 ⁰⁰
.76pts	1,125 ⁰⁰	2,350 ⁰⁰
.72pts	1,050 ⁰⁰	2,150 ⁰⁰
.71pts	1,195 ⁰⁰	2,350 ⁰⁰
.67pts	1,295 ⁰⁰	2,600 ⁰⁰
.67pts	975 ⁰⁰	1,950 ⁰⁰
.65pts	815 ⁰⁰	1,675 ⁰⁰
.64pts	825 ⁰⁰	1,650 ⁰⁰
.65pts	835 ⁰⁰	1,650 ⁰⁰
.63pts	825 ⁰⁰	1,650 ⁰⁰
.62pts	975 ⁰⁰	1,875 ⁰⁰
.61pts	775 ⁰⁰	1,550 ⁰⁰
.61pts	975 ⁰⁰	1,875 ⁰⁰
.61pts	975 ⁰⁰	1,875 ⁰⁰
.60pts	945 ⁰⁰	1,850 ⁰⁰
.59pts	930 ⁰⁰	1,830 ⁰⁰
.59pts	930 ⁰⁰	1,800 ⁰⁰
.58pts	850 ⁰⁰	1,750 ⁰⁰
.57pts	895 ⁰⁰	1,750 ⁰⁰
.58pts	945 ⁰⁰	1,850 ⁰⁰
.56pts	895 ⁰⁰	1,900 ⁰⁰
.55pts	895 ⁰⁰	1,900 ⁰⁰
.55pts	685 ⁰⁰	1,300 ⁰⁰
.55pts	865 ⁰⁰	1,750 ⁰⁰
.54pts	875 ⁰⁰	1,750 ⁰⁰
.54pts	695 ⁰⁰	1,750 ⁰⁰

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.53pts	845 ⁰⁰	1,650 ⁰⁰
.49pts	495 ⁰⁰	995 ⁰⁰
.52pts	830 ⁰⁰	1,650 ⁰⁰
.52pts	820 ⁰⁰	1,640 ⁰⁰
.50pts	795 ⁰⁰	1,550 ⁰⁰
.51pts	750 ⁰⁰	1,500 ⁰⁰
.50pts	770 ⁰⁰	1,650 ⁰⁰
.49pts	750 ⁰⁰	1,550 ⁰⁰
.49pts	785 ⁰⁰	1,700 ⁰⁰
.48pts	795 ⁰⁰	1,700 ⁰⁰
.47pts	750 ⁰⁰	1,700 ⁰⁰
.48pts	795 ⁰⁰	1,500 ⁰⁰
.46pts	585 ⁰⁰	1,150 ⁰⁰
.46pts	585 ⁰⁰	1,150 ⁰⁰
.46pts	585 ⁰⁰	1,150 ⁰⁰
.49pts	785 ⁰⁰	1,500 ⁰⁰
.47pts	750 ⁰⁰	1,500 ⁰⁰
.46pts	595 ⁰⁰	1,250 ⁰⁰
.45pts	535 ⁰⁰	1,100 ⁰⁰
.42pts	660 ⁰⁰	1,250 ⁰⁰
.45pts	695 ⁰⁰	1,250 ⁰⁰
.27pts	270 ⁰⁰	475 ⁰⁰
.27pts	270 ⁰⁰	475 ⁰⁰
.26pts	265 ⁰⁰	550 ⁰⁰
.26pts	250 ⁰⁰	475 ⁰⁰
.23pts	235 ⁰⁰	475 ⁰⁰
.21pts	215 ⁰⁰	415 ⁰⁰
.20pts	205 ⁰⁰	410 ⁰⁰
.20pts	180 ⁰⁰	380 ⁰⁰
.20pts	165 ⁰⁰	350 ⁰⁰
.19pts	165 ⁰⁰	350 ⁰⁰
.18pts	155 ⁰⁰	295 ⁰⁰
.10pts	63 ⁰⁰	125 ⁰⁰
.08pts	41 ⁰⁰	85 ⁰⁰
.07pts	38 ⁰⁰	75 ⁰⁰
.06pts	33 ⁰⁰	65 ⁰⁰
.05pts	29 ⁰⁰	45 ⁰⁰

MODIFIED RADIANT

	Our Price	Compare at
2.58cts	9,750 ⁰⁰	\$19,500 ⁰⁰
1.15cts	2,495 ⁰⁰	5,200 ⁰⁰
1.01cts	2,475 ⁰⁰	4,950 ⁰⁰
1.00cts	3,300 ⁰⁰	6,750 ⁰⁰
.83pts	1,650 ⁰⁰	3,300 ⁰⁰
.78pts	1,650 ⁰⁰	3,300 ⁰⁰
.71pts	1,495 ⁰⁰	2,900 ⁰⁰
.63pts	895 ⁰⁰	1,750 ⁰⁰
.44pts	335 ⁰⁰	670 ⁰⁰
.38pts	285 ⁰⁰	575 ⁰⁰
.38pts	285 ⁰⁰	575 ⁰⁰
.32pts	240 ⁰⁰	485 ⁰⁰
.30pts	225 ⁰⁰	430 ⁰⁰
.27pts	200 ⁰⁰	295 ⁰⁰
.25pts	195 ⁰⁰	295 ⁰⁰
.25pts	195 ⁰⁰	295 ⁰⁰

PEAR

	Our Price	Compare at
1.59cts	3,175 ⁰⁰	\$6,500 ⁰⁰
1.17cts	3,250 ⁰⁰	4,750 ⁰⁰
.78pts	1,750 ⁰⁰	3,500 ⁰⁰
.62pts	1,395 ⁰⁰	2,700 ⁰⁰
.54pts	1,195 ⁰⁰	2,300 ⁰⁰
.47pts	1,050 ⁰⁰	2,200 ⁰⁰
.30pts	350 ⁰⁰	750 ⁰⁰

EMERALD

	Our Price	Compare at
2.62cts	6,485 ⁰⁰	\$13,500 ⁰⁰
2.55cts	7,495 ⁰⁰	16,500 ⁰⁰
1.02cts	2,495 ⁰⁰	4,900 ⁰⁰

HEART

	Our Price	Compare at
.80pts	\$1,650 ⁰⁰	\$3,200 ⁰⁰
.63pts	1,250 ⁰⁰	2,600 ⁰⁰

MARQUISE

	Our Price	Compare at
1.52cts	\$2,750 ⁰⁰	\$6,700 ⁰⁰
1.46cts	3,750 ⁰⁰	7,500 ⁰⁰
1.10cts	3,195 ⁰⁰	6,200 ⁰⁰
.73pts	1,295 ⁰⁰	2,500 ⁰⁰
.73pts	1,235 ⁰⁰	2,500 ⁰⁰
.72pts	1,250 ⁰⁰	2,500 ⁰⁰
.70pts	1,195 ⁰⁰	2,350 ⁰⁰
.55pts	895 ⁰⁰	1,750 ⁰⁰
.50pts	875 ⁰⁰	1,750 ⁰⁰
.37pts	450 ⁰⁰	900 ⁰⁰
.36pts	525 ⁰⁰	1,050 ⁰⁰
.35pts	425 ⁰⁰	950 ⁰⁰
.33pts	425 ⁰⁰	850 ⁰⁰
.30pts	395 ⁰⁰	750 ⁰⁰
.30pts	365 ⁰⁰	750 ⁰⁰
.30pts	365 ⁰⁰	750 ⁰⁰
.27pts	325 ⁰⁰	675 ⁰⁰
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